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## The Shapley Engine.

The boiler of the steam engine has been too much neglected of late years by inventors, who, as a rule, have turned their attention to the more attractive theme of the engine. The result has been a vastly greater improvement in the engine than boiler. In a great many instances the wastefulness of the boiler has been very great, while the engine was working with a reasonable degree of economy. In the engine and boiler which we illustrate the aim has been to make a good, safe and economical boiler, and, at the same time, to produce an engine which should use the steam with a reasonable degree of economy.

The boiler, shown in section in Fig. 2—on third page—consists of a conical fire box, surmounted by a flat crown sheet, and inclosed within the shell of the boiler. The shell is made in two sections, the lower part connected to the upper by an annular head. From the upper part of the fire box, just below the crown sheet, short horizontal tubes A give free communication into the outer air. The tubes B extend downward from the annular head to the base. A circular jacket, or case C, prevents the fire from the fire box from passing into the open air. The base of the boiler is converted into a flue, and takes the smoke from each of these tubes and conveys it to the smoke stack. The sides of the fire box are inclined, which gives the surfaces the maximum efficiency. The height of the boiler is considerable, so that the crown sheet has a considerable depth of water over it, and, at the same time, the fire box is made of ample size and height. The flues are all easily accessible for cleaning from the outside, simply by the removal of the jacket C. The top head of the boiler is of cast iron, riveted in the usual manner. To prevent the throwing of sparks, the bottom of the flues in the base plate are kept covered with water, so that, as the gases pass down the side tubes the sparks fall into the water and are extinguished. Though not shown in the sectional view, the crown sheet is stayed so as to give it ample strength. These boilers give the rated power with 60 pounds per square inch, though they will stand 120 lbs. with perfect safety.

The engine is of the vertical type, not bolted to the boiler, but having a frame of its own fastened to the bed plate of the boiler. A plain D valve is used driving a single eccentric, cutting off at  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the stroke. The pump is of the locomotive pattern; the parts are held together by a stirrup and a single screw driven from the cross head. Piston rod, valve stem, crank pin and the like, are of steel. Journals are rabbitted, slides made large, and the bearings generally well fitted. The fittings of the engine are neat and convenient. The exhaust is passed through a feed water heater on the bed plate before escaping into the smoke stack. The engines are built of 3, 5, 8 and 12 horse-power. The boilers are of the same size and also 15 horse-power, the latter for use with the 12 horse-power engine. A favorite way of combining them is to put an 8, 12 or 15 horse-power boiler with a 5, 8 or 12 horse-engine. Messrs. Shapley & Wells manufacture this engine, which is for sale by R. W. Wilde, the sole agent, 20 Cortlandt street, N. Y. We should not omit to say that the parts of these engines are duplicates and interchangeable, so that no difficulty is experienced, in case repairs are needed, in obtaining them from the manufactory.

## The Determination of Carbon in Iron and Steel.

A correspondent in Chicago, who signs himself "An Old Subscriber," writes as follows: I have had a dispute with a friend as to the best and quickest process for determining the amount of carbon in steel. If you would please to state in correspondent's column of your publication, in the next issue if possible, you would greatly oblige.

There are several methods of determining the percentage of carbon in steel and iron. All the processes are quite different, and can only be performed with accuracy by experienced chemists. We conclude that our correspondent is not a chemist, or he would not have written as above. Probably the easiest process is the colorimetric method, but this is less accurate than others. For the information of all to whom the subject may be of interest, we give below the valuable paper on "Carbon Determinations in Iron and Steel," read at the Detroit meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, by Prof. John W. Langley. It is much fuller and more accurate than anything we could write on the subject, even if we had the time to spare:

The determination of the amount of carbon in iron and steel has long been recognized as an analytical process of extreme difficulty.

To make an approximate estimate is easy, but when figures accurate to the second decimal place of percentages are the objects of inquiry, the number of apparently insignificant sources of error becomes so great that only the most minute and conscientious attentions to details will insure a result which has any value at all,

when judged by the severe requirements which the engineer makes upon the metallurgist.

Not only is any process for the estimation of carbon intrinsically difficult, but no two methods will give the same results, and when the averages of two series of analyses, conducted with equal care but by different methods, are compared, they will usually differ from each other by more than one-tenth of one per cent.

In view of the attention which has recently been drawn to the connection between physical properties and chemical composition in the metals and alloys principally employed in the arts, and in which investigation steel, of course, plays a leading part, it becomes more than ever desirable for the analyst to select, out of the various means now at hand for the estimation of carbon, that which can be the most easily

a sufficiently fine condition of metal. Now it is obvious that many samples of iron could not be mounted in a lathe and diamond turned, even if the costly tool necessary was always at hand, and filings, to quote an English author, "are lumpy little fragments which expose but a small surface in comparison with their mass."

The process by solution has the authority of many great names in its favor, but it is open to several sources of error. First, if there is free acid present, a portion of the carbon will escape as a gaseous or liquid hydrocarbon, and, in fact, no one of the usual solvents, cubic chloride and sulphate, or mercuric chloride, can be maintained in a liquid which is absolutely neutral to litmus paper. Second, bromine and iodine attack the iron readily, but leave, as Eggertz has shown, a residue containing carbon, iodine, silicon, etc., in a form which is not

the objections which may be raised against iodine, bromine, and presumably chlorine and nitric acid; then, too, it can always be used in the same degree of concentration in water, and the amount of free acid, which is always very minute, can be reduced to a constant quantity by previous digestion with oxide of copper.

There is one detail, however, which the writer has found to be important. If the metal is not finely divided and is introduced in a cold solution of copper, the attack will be very slow, and local action occurring here and there, the copper will be deposited in adherent masses, which oftentimes may be  $\frac{1}{2}$  of an inch in thickness; as these are tough, they cannot be completely broken up by stirring, and the carbon thus enveloped will not be completely burned.

But if the metal is passed through a finesieve and introduced cold into the liquid, which is

gren's method liable to the same action, and hence that a part, or all of the graphitic carbon, might not be converted into carbonic acid, but remain behind as graphitic acid, in which case it would fail of being weighed with the absorption apparatus.

This objection may not hold in practice, the writer is not prepared to prove it, but the necessity of carefully watching the generating flask becomes quite onerous where a large number of analyses have to be made; he has therefore resorted to the method of combustion at a red heat, by modifying slightly the form of apparatus customarily used. A porcelain tube of about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of an inch internal diameter is placed in a furnace, which will keep at least 10 inches in length of the tube up to a full yellow heat; a plug 2 inches in length is inserted in the anterior end; this plug is made by coiling up fine copper wire till it is just large enough to fit the tube closely; the interstices between the wires will always be large enough to allow of the passage of gas. Air being now drawn through the apparatus, the copper is deeply oxidized, and thus a filter of oxide of copper is produced, which at a red heat will oxidize any carbonic oxide or hydrocarbon which may pass over it.

To hold the matter to be burned, a copper boat is provided, which is easily made by folding up a piece of sheet copper; it should be about five inches long, and when bent form a half cylinder with closed ends; a few small holes may be made through the bottom with a punch, in order to make the vessel porous. On the bottom of the boat a stratum of asbestos is laid, and on this the mixed copper and carbon sponge is loosely placed. The anterior end of the tube containing the wire plug being first heated, the boat is then introduced, and the combustion conducted in the usual manner, either in purified oxygen or air. Air seems to answer perfectly, only, of course, more of it must be used than of pure oxygen; the most convenient method is to draw the air through by means of a water aspirator, and at the rate of six litres an hour. Operating in this way, I have not found any difficulty in oxidizing the carbon completely, even the graphite. This is probably from two reasons. First, the heat is a full yellow, much more than a glass tube could bear. Secondly, the carbon, being in a state of molecular division and surrounded on every side by particles of metallic copper, is sure to be burned as soon as the copper itself becomes oxidized.

When once the apparatus is mounted, it demands very little attention; the porcelain tube will last from ten to twenty times, and by having two boats, one may be withdrawn, and the other one inserted without cooling the tube, so that two combustions, including the weighings and calculations, may be made inside of three hours. The copper boats, if made of ordinary thin metal, will last five times before they become oxidized entirely through. As showing the result of the above method, which has been in use for the past year and a half, I will venture to quote a few out of a large number of analyses.

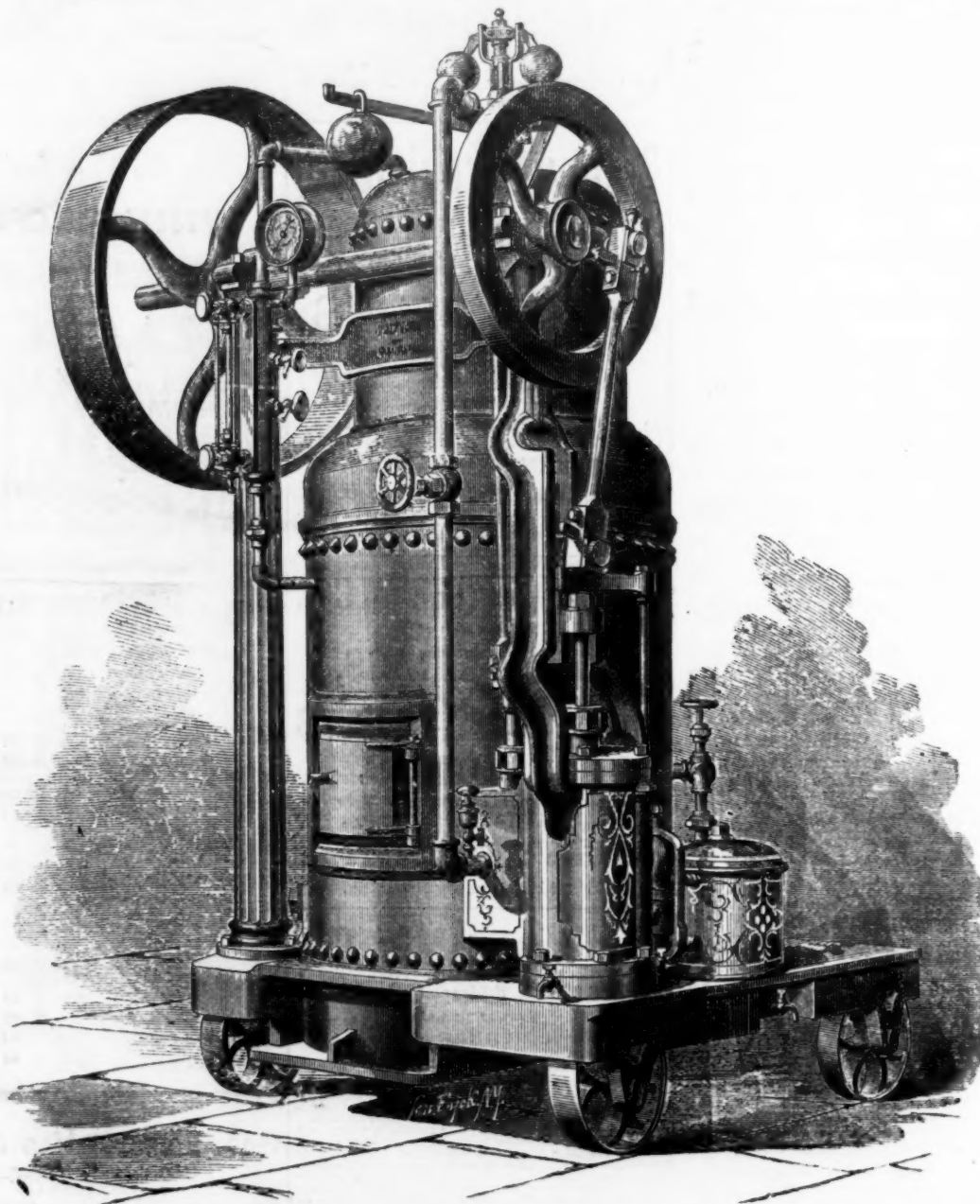
	Carbon.	Carbon.	Carbon.	Carbon.			
A	$\begin{cases} 1.065 \\ 1.031 \end{cases}$	B	$\begin{cases} 1.043 \\ 1.038 \end{cases}$	C	$\begin{cases} 1.041 \\ 1.041 \end{cases}$	D	$\begin{cases} 1.006 \\ 1.071 \end{cases}$
Difference.....	.014	.012	.000	.025			

A, B, C, D being different samples of steel. After making an aggregate of over sixty combustions, the maximum departure from the mean in various samples has been three-hundredths of 1 per cent., and the average departure from the mean is a trifle over one-hundredth, or one part in ten thousand of the metal operated on.

To recapitulate: the method described above consists in attacking the alloy, previously pulverized and sifted, by a solution of sulphate of copper, washing the mixed copper and carbon on a funnel plugged with asbestos, and finally burning the entire mass in a stream of oxygen or air in a porcelain tube maintained at a much higher temperature than can possibly be used with Böttcher's glass.

The *Journal of Chemistry* warns the drinkers of water of wells near dwellings to beware of the typhoid poison, sure to be found sooner or later in those reservoirs, if any of the house drainage can percolate them. The gelatinous matter often found upon the stones of a well is a poison to the human system, probably causing by its spores a fermentation of the blood, with abnormal heat or fever. Wholesome, untainted water is always free from all color and odor. To test it thoroughly, place half a pint in a clear bottle, with a few grains of lump sugar, and expose it, stoppered, to sunlight, in a window. If, even after an exposure of eight or ten days, the water becomes turbid, be sure that the water has been contaminated by sewage of some kind. If it remains perfectly clear, it is pure and safe.

The superintendent of the Passaic zinc mines, at Ogdensburg, N. J., a few days ago found a large garnet in the mine, for which he has been offered \$50. There have been several smaller ones found, valued at from \$10 to \$15 each.



THE SHAPLEY ENGINE.—Fig. 1.

controlled and by which the operator can with the greatest certainty assure himself that like conditions may be repeated at will.

In an ordinary determination of the carbon in an organic body, the possible variations in the method of procedure are not numerous, nor do they seem to have much influence on the final result. In the case of iron and steel, however, the circumstances are very different, for 99 per cent. of metal must first be removed before the carbon can be in a state to be attacked, and then, too, it exists, when separated from the iron, in two if not three different conditions, each of which has its effect on the process by which the element shall be finally brought into a form suitable for weighing.

At the outset, we have to choose between two courses. First, the direct combustion of the alloy and weighing the carbon as carbonic acid; second, the previous removal of the metal by some solution and subsequent combustion of the insoluble residue. Of the first of these paths, it may be said that though theoretically the straightest, it is in practice the least satisfactory, for the film of oxide of iron which immediately forms will protect the substance beneath it from further action unless particles of extreme minuteness be operated on, and chemists who have paid a great deal of attention to this subject say, that the more minutely divided is the metal, the greater will be the amount of carbon found. It has even been proposed to turn off fine shavings of hard steel by means of a diamond, as the best method of obtaining

affected by washing or a heat under 250° C. If now this residue be burned, the iodine will escape and pass more or less completely into the absorption apparatus, and of course will tend to increase the apparent amount of carbon. Third, the character of the residue will vary according to the rate at which the metal has been dissolved. Caron and Crace Calvert have both shown that, when steel is treated for a long time by very dilute acids, a residue was left which was much greater in quantity than when the action of the acid was promoted by warmth or concentration. Fourth, Caron first established the fact that the physical state of the metal had an influence on the quality and quantity of this carbonaceous residue. According to him, 100 parts of steel of cementation leave by treatment with acid:

	Residue.	Carbon.
Steel direct from converter	1.624	0.295
"hammered	1.215	0.260
"hardened	1.240	0.260

So that the same sample of steel, which in its natural state shows nearly one per cent. of carbon, may show, when tempered, a trace only; and yet no one doubts that the same quantity of carbon really exists in the above three samples.

In view of these facts, the writer has given his preference to sulphate of copper as the solvent, notwithstanding the fact that it has been both strongly advocated, and also energetically condemned long ago; for it does not contain any substance which can be retained by the insoluble residue, and is therefore free from

then raised gradually to 80° C. on a water bath with frequent stirring, the whole residue will be in the form of a loose sponge, which can be filtered with the greatest ease on an ordinary funnel loosely plugged with asbestos, and, as the copper so largely predominates, there is no trouble in detaching the mass from the funnel after drying. Indeed, this forms one of the chief advantages of the sulphate of copper process; the carbon, being enveloped by porous sponge, is not disposed to run through any crevices in the filter, and the copper can be washed as easily as so much sand.

The carbonaceous residue thus obtained may be treated in two ways. First, by combustion at a red heat. Second, by Ullgren's process, where it is introduced into a flask containing bichromate of potash and sulphuric acid. This latter method has been much used, but the writer is obliged to confess that he has not been able to realize harmonious results from it. This is very likely owing to want of skill, but it may be there is a valid theoretical objection to the method. It was stated above that the amount of carbon in the residue varied according to the temper of the steel, and the rate at which it was attacked. It has also been shown by several chemists that the untempered steel, and also that which was slowly dissolved, left a larger part of the carbon in the condition of graphite than did the samples otherwise treated. Now, as Brodie has oxidized graphite into graphitic acid by liquid oxidants at 100° C., it would not seem unreasonable to suppose Ull-



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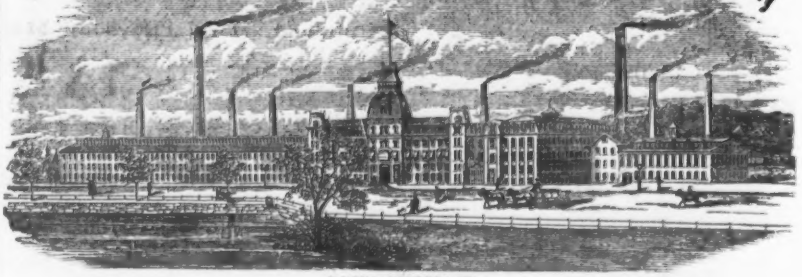
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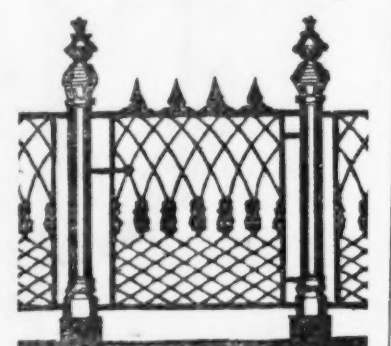
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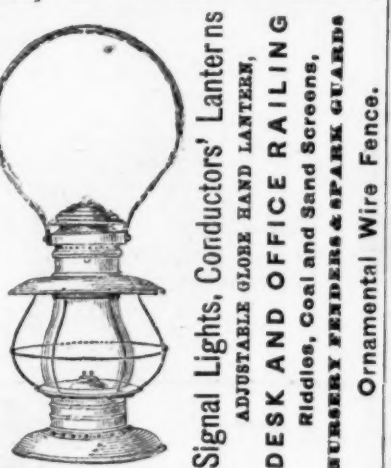
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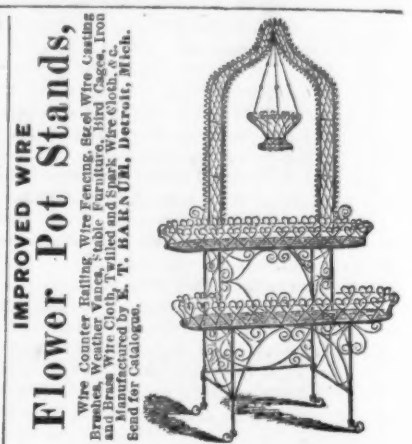
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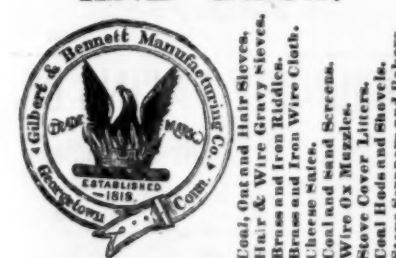
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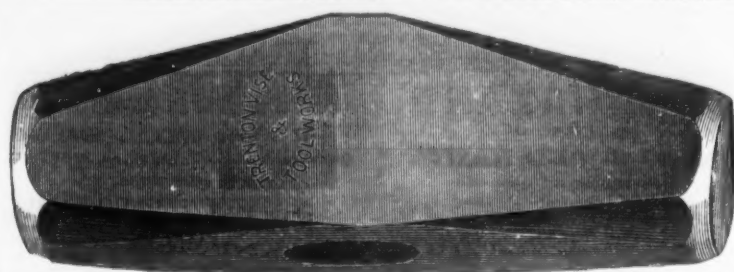
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## Getting Ready for the Great Blast at Hell Gate.

The work of deepening and enlarging the East River channel at Hallett's Point is fast approaching completion, and it is now attracting the special attention of engineers and men of science throughout the country. Owing to the peculiar formation of the rock at Hallett's Point, together with the narrowness of the present channel and the almost uninterrupted passage of vessels, the work has been done under many disadvantageous circumstances. After a tedious work of nearly six years the task of excavating has at last been completed, and the secondary work of preparing for the grand blast is now going on. Inasmuch as the explosive power to be used on the final blast will be about 50,000 pounds of nitro-glycerine, or about eight times as much as has ever been simultaneously discharged before, much interest and not a little anxiety is being manifested in the result.

The work, which is being superintended by Mr. William H. Heuer, was begun in 1869, and the amount expended on it has been roughly estimated at about \$750,000. The excavation extends under 2 3/4 acres of gneiss rock, vertically stratified and running in a northeasterly and southwesterly direction. Starting from a main shaft 34 feet below mean low water, ten main headings, sloping down to 53 feet below mean low water, have been extended out to an average length of 250 feet each. The height of these main headings varies from 8 to 23 feet each, with an average width of 14 feet. From the main headings intermediate headings have

until after the great blast at Hallett's Point is over. There are at present only about 10 men engaged upon the work. A shaft 60 feet deep has already been sunk, and two tunnels, each about 20 feet long, have been excavated, the one running across toward the New York shore and the other in the direction of Hallett's Point. It is thought that it will take about two years to complete the work, by which time nearly all of the obstructions will have been removed from the neighborhood of Hell Gate.

## State Regulation of Railroads.

The following bill was introduced into the Wisconsin Legislature, March 14, 1867, and is a model for Granger legislation:

No. 464. A Bill to regulate the business of railroad corporations in the State of Wisconsin. The people of the State of Wisconsin represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There shall be a Board of Railroad Commissioners, consisting of one hundred and sixty-one members, who shall be appointed as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 2. Within ten days after the passage of this act the Governor shall nominate one hundred and sixty-one persons, citizens of the State to be Railroad Commissioners, and transmit the names of such persons to the Senate for confirmation.

SEC. 3. Said Commissioners shall be located by lot. The name of each station on the line of every railroad in the State shall be placed in a box; each Commissioner shall then draw a ticket from the box; the name thereon shall determine his future residence and field of operations.

SEC. 4. Each Commissioner, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall execute to the different railroad companies a bond in the

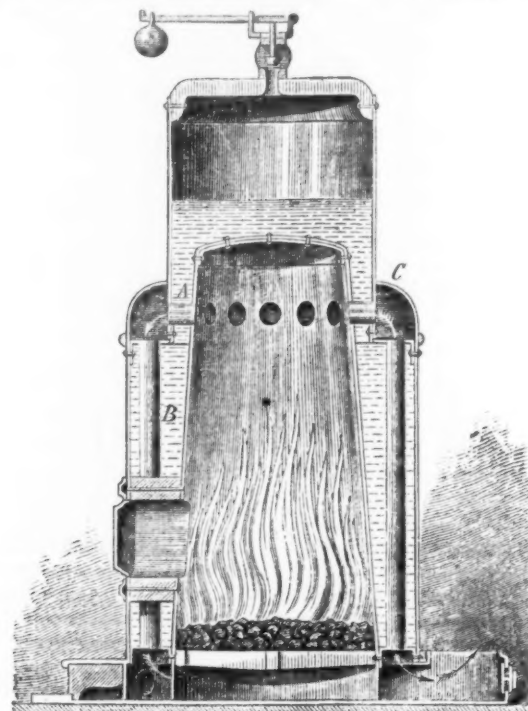


Fig. 2.—THE SHAPLEY BOILER.—(See page 1).

been cut, and at uniform distances circular galleries have also been cut across the headings, thus forming a series of piers at their point of intersection. There are in all 173 piers, which form the entire support of the roof and of the water above it, and which also separate the 41 headings and 10 galleries. It is estimated that the entire amount of rock to be broken by the proposed blast will aggregate about 45,000 cubic yards. Since the completion of the excavation and the bringing down of the piers to an uniform size, the work of boring holes in the roof and sides has been begun. For this purpose six Barleigh drills are used daily, boring about 21 holes in 24 hours. The working force now engaged in this work is 130 men, divided into three gangs, each of which work eight consecutive hours, in order that there may be no cessation.

Captain Heuer expects to complete the drilling about the last of January, when the important work of charging each hole will be begun. This will have to be done by experienced workmen, with great care, and will probably occupy about two months. The explosives will be placed in iron tubes, each of which will have a direct battery connection, beside being connected with the adjacent holes by means of a series of small tubes filled with nitro-glycerine. This precautionary measure will be taken inasmuch as the experiment of discharging 6000 charges by means of one battery has never been tried, and by this system it is claimed that, although the battery should fail to ignite all the charges simultaneously, yet the discharge will, nevertheless, be instantaneous. It is expected that the blast—which it has been proposed to have on the 4th of July, 1876, in celebration of America's centennial—will entirely demolish the undermined 2 3/4 acres of rock and break it into small pieces, which can afterward be removed by dredging. This will necessitate an additional outlay, as estimated by General Newton, in his recent annual report to the War Department, of about \$450,000 for the next fiscal year. As regards the explosion of so large a quantity of nitro-glycerine, Captain Heuer does not anticipate that there will be any great shock to the neighborhood, nor that there will be the least danger attending the blast, as upon a previous occasion, when he fired a blast of 42,000 pounds of powder in the San Francisco Harbor, the only external visible effect was the elevation of an immense volume of water, whose transverse diameters were 200 and 250 feet, to a height of about 150 feet. Here, as will be the case in the expected explosion at Hell Gate, the water was let into the tunnel, thus operating as a tamp.

Excavating is still going on at Flood Rock, although the work will be necessarily delayed

penal sum of thirteen dollars, with not less than two sureties, to be approved by the farmers in the locality of their operations, for the faithful discharge of their duty, and shall also take and subscribe an oath of allegiance to the United States government.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of each Commissioner to ascertain, if possible, the amount of indebtedness of each road and the probability of their paying their debts; shall fix the price to be paid for wood by such corporation and the time when the same shall be paid; and shall make themselves generally useful in looking after the interests of these monopolies.

SEC. 6. The salary of each of these Railroad Commissioners shall be nine hundred and seventy dollars per annum, which shall be paid out of the school fund of the State.

SEC. 7. Said Commissioners, when thus appointed shall remain in office until removed by death, when their places may be filled as heretofore provided.

SEC. 8. In case of the death of the Governor, any vacancy in the Board may be filled by any conductor of a passenger train; provided, that no man shall be appointed who has ever been a member of the Legislature of this State.

SEC. 9. There shall be held in the city of Milwaukee, on the 4th day of July in each year, a meeting of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, who shall invite the officers of each and every railroad company in the State to attend for a general consultation on railroad matters; provided, that the Common Council of said city shall pay all legitimate expenses of said meeting.

SEC. 10. In case the Railroad Commissioners and railroad officers fail to agree as regards the duty of these monopolies, then in that case the subject shall be referred to the Supreme Court of the United States, whose decision shall be final.

SEC. 11. No person shall be allowed to ride as a dead-head on any railroad in this State whose usual weight is more than 132 pounds, and all persons who shall make applications to any person authorized to give passes, and shall fail to furnish such person with the official statement of the scales of weights and measures of the town, city or ward where he may reside, shall be deemed guilty of swindling, and shall pay into the treasury of such railroad the sum of half a dollar for the first offence and sixty cents for each similar offence thereafter committed.

SEC. 12. This act shall take effect and be in full force from and after the 17th of March, 1867, and shall become like the laws of the Aedes and Persians, to remain unchanged forever.

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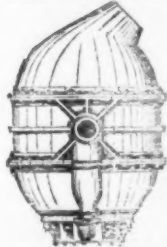
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**New Patents.**

We take from the records of the Patent Office  
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certain patents lately issued, which will be  
found interesting:

**IMPROVEMENT IN TILTING AND REVOLVING PUD-  
DLING FURNACES.**

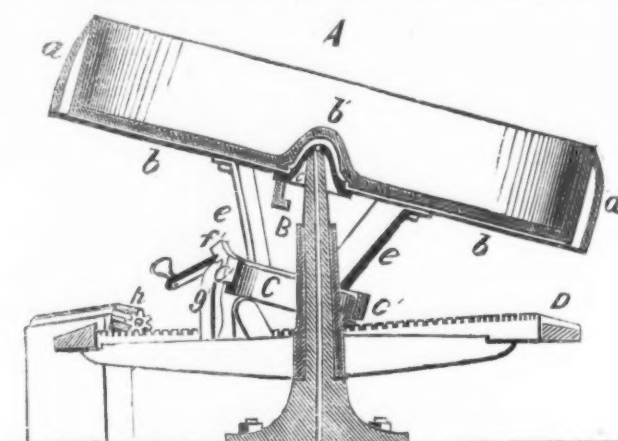
Specification forming part of Letters Patent  
No. 167,241, dated August 31, 1875, issued to  
Gordon W. Hall, of Havana, New York.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a longitudinal  
vertical sectional view of a tilting puddling fur-  
nace. Fig. 2 is a detail view, and Fig. 3 is a  
plan view.

This invention has relation to puddling fur-  
naces wherein the process of puddling is con-  
ducted in hearths or basins which are moved by  
mechanical power for the purpose of agitating  
the melted metal, and facilitating the puddling  
operation.

It consists mainly in a boiling and puddling  
hearth or basin, which is mounted in such man-  
ner that a continuous circular tilting or wab-  
bling motion is imparted to it during the opera-  
tion of puddling, whereby the contained metal  
is more thoroughly agitated and exposed to the  
heat of the furnace, as will be hereinafter ex-  
plained. The invention also consists in a pud-  
dling hearth or basin, which is free to be tilted

sin to be tilted at any desired angle. The seg-  
ment *f* is held between guides and the segment  
*f*, which has teeth on its lower edge, is held be-  
tween guides *g*. The guides are rigidly se-  
cured to the spokes of a large horizontal bevel  
spur-wheel, *D*, which turns freely around the  
standard *B* and receives its rotation from a  
pinion, *A*, on a shaft which extends through  
the furnace wall, and is driven by means of a  
belt or spur gearing. The guides *g* receive  
between them a worm-screw, on the shaft of  
which a crank-handle is keyed for allowing it to  
be turned. The screw engages with the teeth  
on segment *f*, so that by turning this screw the  
basin *A* can be adjusted in a horizontal plane,  
or set at any desired angle to such plane. The  
ring *C*, which is rigidly secured to the basin *A*  
by means of arms, as above stated, is free to  
turn inside of the band *C'*, when not arrested  
by pivoted fingers *j*, which are applied to the  
band *C'*. When fingers *j* are turned inward and  
locked with the arms of ring *C*, then the basin  
*A* will rotate with the wheel *D*. *J* designates a  
rod having a hook, *l*, on one end. This rod  
passes through the wall of the furnace, and has  
a ball and socket bearing therein, which allows  
it to receive a universal play. The hook *l* is on  
the inner end of the rod *J*, and is designed to  
engage with one or the other of two hooks, *n*,  
on the bottom of the basin *A*, and prevent this



IMPROVED TILTING AND REVOLVING PUDDLING FURNACE.—Fig. 1.

and wabbed, in combination with means for  
adjusting the same at any desired angle from  
a horizontal plane, as will be hereinafter ex-  
plained. It also consists in a hearth or basin  
which can be tilted, and which is centrally sup-  
ported upon a hollow pedestal, in combination  
with water conduits and annular bushes, as will  
be hereinafter explained. The invention finally  
consists in certain novel means, hereinafter ex-  
plained, whereby the hearth or basin can be  
rotated, adjusted in a horizontal plane, or held  
by means of a swivel hook, and caused to re-  
ceive a variable tilting or wabbling motion  
without rotation, as will be fully explained  
hereinafter.

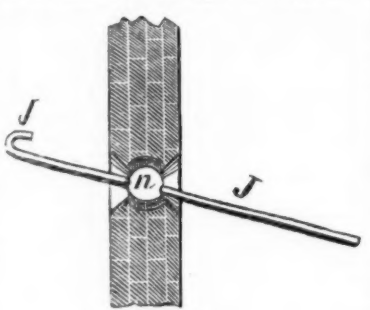
In the annexed drawings, *A* designates a

Fig. 2.

which and the lower side of the elevation *b* is a  
space which communicates with the radial con-  
duits *b*. The test *c* forms a socket to receive  
the upper rounded end of a stationary standard,  
*B*. The hearth *A* is by these means allowed to  
tilt freely, and as the standard *B* is hollow,  
water may be forced through it and conveyed  
to the interior of the rim *a* during the operation  
of puddling. *C* designates a base ring on the  
lower ends of standards *a*, which are rigidly se-  
cured to the bottom of the basin *A*, which ring  
is embraced by a band, *C'* having segments *f*  
cast on it, and arranged diametrically opposite  
each other. The axis of the ring *C* is co-inc-

basin from rotating, but allows it to receive a  
circular tilting motion from the wheel *D*. For  
the purpose of having the external surface of  
the rim of the wheel as close as possible to the  
wall surrounding it, said furnace is curved, and  
the adjacent surface of the furnace-wall is also  
curved. The furnace may be constructed in the  
usual well known manner, and with another  
slide for the balling tool in the ordinary sliding  
door, also an opening, suitably closed through  
the rim of the basin, for the purpose of tapping  
off clinders.

In practice the interior of the basin will be  
lined with a suitable refractory material (*fix*),  
and for this purpose use magnetic ore, or com-  
mon ground ore (*fix*). The melted mass in the  
basin changes position from the bottom to the  
surface continually, thus thoroughly mixing the  
metal with the clinder and chemicals, and sub-  
jecting the same to the reverberatory heat of  
the furnace and eliminating all obnoxious gases,  
and thoroughly decarbonizing the entire charge  
in the basin.

Claim.—1. A central recessed boiling and  
puddling hearth or basin, mounted upon the  
stationary standard *B*, rounded at its upper  
end, forming a pivot, in combination with a  
suitable operating mechanism, whereby the  
basin has a continuous circular tilting or wab-  
bling motion, substantially as and for the pur-  
pose set forth.

2. The adjustment screw *K*, combined with  
the segment *f*, and a basin, *A*, mounted sub-  
stantially as described.

3. The ring *C*, secured as described, to the  
basin *A*, in combination with the band *C'*, seg-  
ment *f*, guides *g*, and wheel *D*, substantially  
as described.

4. The hooked rod *J*, pivoted into the wall  
of the furnace, in combination with one or  
more hooks, *n*, on the basin *A*, substantially as  
described.

5. The test *c*, having a perforation through  
its apex, combined with the basin *A*, hollow  
standard *B*, conduits *b*, and hollow rim *a*, sub-  
stantially as described.

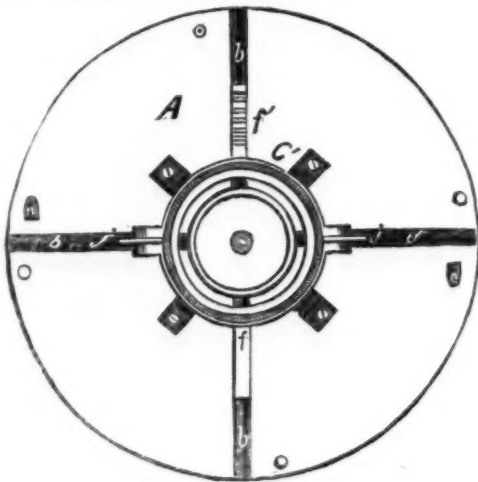


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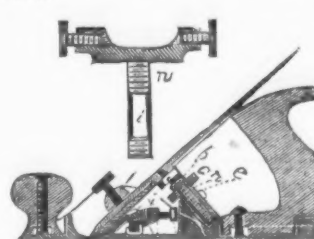
circular hearth or basin, which is composed  
of cast iron entire or in sections, and con-  
structed with an annular hollow rim, *a*, radial  
water conduits, *b*, and a central elevation, *b*.  
The conduits *b* communicate with and supply  
water to the rim or bushes *a*, and the central  
elevation *b* receives in it a test, *c*, which has a  
perforation through its apex, and between  
dent with the axis of the basin *A*, and the di-  
ameter of this ring is such as will allow the ba-

We take the following abstract of new  
patents, recently issued, from the official  
record:

**BENCH PLANE.**

To L. L. Davis, Springfield, Mass.—The bit  
is adjustable longitudinally by means of an  
abutting piece formed upon the base of the  
stock, and provided with an obliquely threaded  
socket, and a support upon which the bit  
rests, said support having a threaded pin upon

its lower part, and operated by a thumb screw  
turned upon it. The bit is laterally adjusta-  
ble by set screws provided with large flanged  
heads, and operating in bearings on either side  
of the support. The size of the throat can be  
changed by an adjustable wedge in rear of the  
bit, the whole secured in place by a set screw  
operating in a cross bar located in front of the  
plane iron.

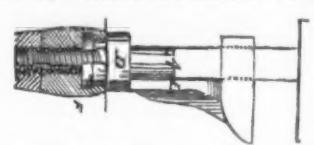


1. The combination of the adjustable sup-  
port *b*, the lateral adjusting screws *a*, and the  
screw *E*.

2. The combination of abutment *D*, the ad-  
justable support *b*, the threaded pin *n*, nut *c*,  
the lateral adjusting screws *a*, the wedge *f*  
and its screw *g*, and the clamping screw *E*.

**WRENCH.**

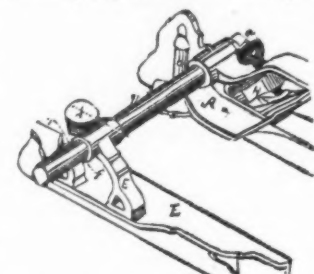
To Richard J. Wallis, St. Joseph, Mo.—The  
handle *H*, threaded and movable on screw



shank, to form an adjustable jam nut to the re-  
volving nut *F*.

**CARPENTERS' PLANE.**

To Matthias C. Mayo, Boston, Mass.—1. The  
divided clamp *C*, provided with bearing *C'*, slot

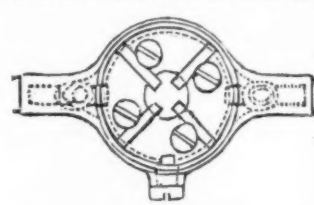


*f*, and clamping screw *d*, adapted to hold and  
embrace the arm *D* of a stock.

2. The combination, with the sword plate *C*,  
provided with a lip or flange, *s*, of the cutter *b*,  
pivoted clamping lever *H*, provided with con-  
cave enlargement *a'* and adjustable gage *E*.

**DIE-STOCK.**

To John J. Grant, Hartford, Conn.—1. The  
combination of the bolts *b* and the shoulder *A*

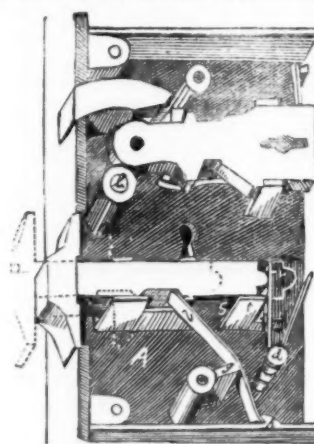


with a die-stock, for the purpose of securing  
the die in its place when in use.

2. A die-stock with a circular collet or disk,  
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To Thos. Lyon, Hartford, and Emory Parker,  
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draw bar, *a*, having its head projected beyond



the front plate to form a thumb piece, by  
which it can be extended, but arranged to be  
sheathed within the case when the edges of the  
sliding doors are brought into contact.

2. The combination, with an extensible draw  
bar, *a*, as described, of a friction stop spring *b*.

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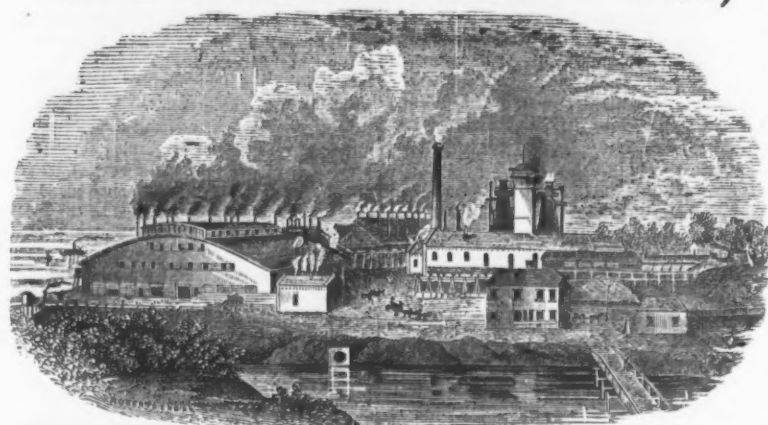
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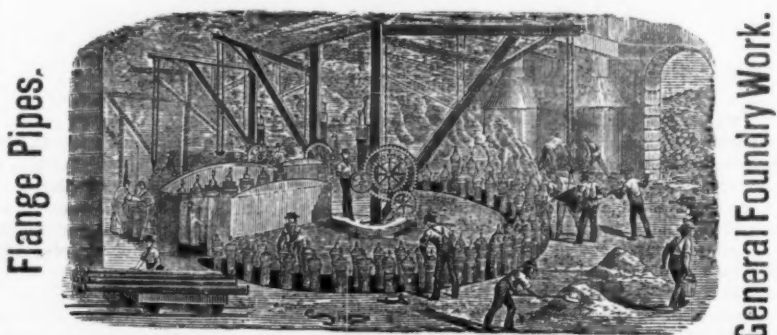
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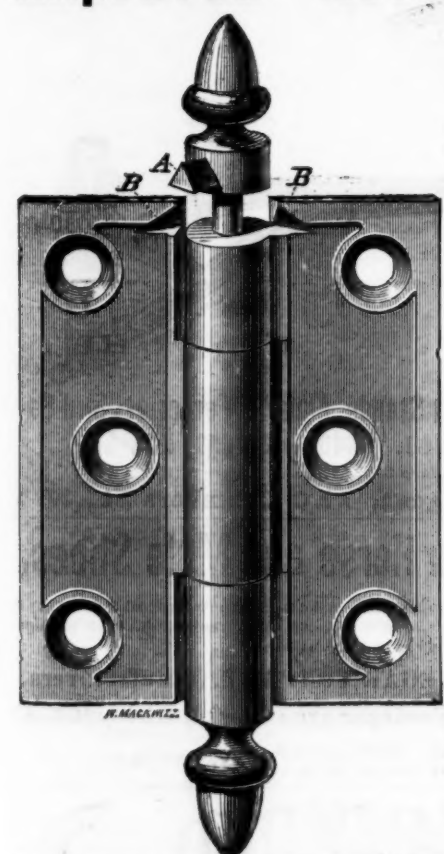
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PART II.—The Common Mill.

Before proceeding to consider the later systems and more recent improvements in rolling mill practice, it will not be out of place to give a short description of the ordinary "two-high" train, and to take a brief survey of the more common features of roll trains in general. The common "two-high" trains were until within a few years the train employed for all kinds of rolling, but it is now confined almost exclusively to the manufacture of flat bars for rail and beam piles, merchant bars, and fillets for wire rods, and even for these purposes it is rapidly being superseded by the later styles.

In this train one or more pairs of rolls are connected together, and the piece of metal requiring to be rolled is passed between the rolls of the first pair, and is then lifted over them to the other side, and again passed between them, which operation is repeated in the successive pairs, until the metal is brought to the required shape and dimensions.

For bar iron the rolls have grooves cut in them, so that when placed in position the corresponding grooves in each roll are directly opposite each other, and produce, along their line of nearest approach, circular, rectangular, or any other sections according to the shapes which we wish to give the iron. These rolls have their axes in the same vertical plane and turn in contrary directions. In the "small mill," sets of three rolls, one above the other, are employed. In this arrangement the middle roll turns in a contrary direction to the other two.

The rolls present three distinct parts: the body, the journals, and the ends, or "wabblers," as they are called. The latter are grooved in order that they may be connected with the neighboring sets of rolls by means of spindles and coupling boxes.

The rolls are supported between "chucks" enclosed in the housings. Each housing is supplied with a large screw, having a lever or handle for communicating motion to it. These screws, which pass through large nuts fitted in the caps of the housings, press on the chucks immediately above the upper roll, termed the "riders," and serve to hold them in position, while the metal is passing through the grooves. The distance between the rolls is regulated by wedges placed under the "carriers" or supporting chucks. The position of these wedges is generally fixed by hand, but they are sometimes made adjustable by means of screws.

The housings are secured very firmly by strong bolts and pins to a large cast iron bed-plate, bolted to the foundation. When, however, longer or shorter rolls than those already in use are desired to be employed, the housings are so arranged that they can be removed or brought closer to each other without difficulty. Mr. James Moore, of the Bush Hill Iron Works, Philadelphia, makes an excellent arrangement for this purpose, but a description of it would here be out of place.

The dimensions of the rolls and other parts of the train vary, of course, with the dimensions of the iron to be rolled. A heavy rolling mill consists of two sets or pairs of rolls, distinguished as the "roughing" and "finishing" rolls. In the 13 and 8 inch trains, however, three, and very often four, sets are employed. A good rule with regard to the arrangement of the sets of rolls in a train is to place those which have to bear the greatest strain nearest the prime mover; but the order usually adopted, irrespective of which set has to bear the greatest strain, is, first, the pinions, then the roughing, and lastly the finishing rolls. In the small mill, however, a set containing open-square and oval grooves, is interposed between the roughing and finishing sets. These or the "finishing ovals" as they are called, are employed only in rolling round wire rods; the last groove merely pressing the oval rod into a round one, with but a slight reduction in the area of the cross section.

The different sets of rolls are connected with each other by means of spindles and coupling boxes. The spindles are grooved like the wabblers, and the coupling boxes act as sleeves for receiving the ends of each and binding them together. Wooden pieces are tied in the grooves of each spindle to maintain the separation of the coupling boxes. As the coupling boxes are easily replaced, it is considered a good practice to so construct them that in case of any extraordinary strain upon the train they will break before any other part. This was formerly done with the spindle which coupled the driving shaft to the pinions; it was weakened by being turned down, and called from this fact the "breaking spindle." But this has almost entirely gone out of use on account of its cost. The spindles and wabblers ought to have a play in the coupling boxes of about one-eighth inch, so that the rolls may undergo slight derangements without breaking them, but principally in order that the rolls may be used after they have become worn below their pitch lines.

At the end of the train, nearest the prime mover, are placed the pinions, mounted in housings similar to those of the rolls. These also present three parts: the body that bears the teeth, the necks and the wabblers by which they are coupled to the roughing rolls on one side, and to the prime mover on the other. When the roughing rolls are "three high," as in the small 8" train, it is preferable to couple the prime mover to the middle pinion, as the backlash and liability to breakage is much less, although in some mills they are driven very successfully from the bottom pinion.—*Miscellaneous Rolling Mill Information. By Lewis & Bossiter, No. 9.*

The teeth of the pinions are set within discs, or webs, at each end, which are nearly of the same diameter as the pitch circles. Formerly the pinions were fastened directly to the rolls, but this was very objectionable and the source of a great deal of trouble, for, the wheels being once accurately centered, would gradually work themselves out of their position of true gear as the rolls wore, and even without regard to the wear of the rolls, it necessitated a fixed distance between them for every pattern of bar. The adoption of the present mode of mounting the pinions in separate housings, and thereby making them independent of the rolls, was, therefore, an important step in the progress of rolling mill construction.

The arrangement by which the train is coupled to the driving shaft of the prime mover consists of a clutch called a "crab," which is composed of two pieces so constructed that the train may be disengaged without entirely stopping the engine. One piece, which is bored out, and keyed fast to the driving shaft, consists of a thick disc having segmental projections on its face called "horns." The other, which is movable along the "breaking spindle" (still so called from its formerly having served as such, but now one of the strongest parts of the complete machine), consists of a coupling box with horns on one end, which fit in between the horns of the disc on the driving shaft. These two pieces may be engaged or disengaged by means of a forked lever, the prongs of which pass within a groove turned in the movable piece.

In order to facilitate the entering of the bar in the various grooves, wrought iron pieces with steel edges called "rests" are placed in front of the rolls nearly but not quite to the height of the bottom of each groove. Sometimes plates are laid over these for a portion of the whole length of the rolls, or the whole is made in one solid piece. On the side of the rolls, where the iron leaves the grooves, are placed other pieces called "guides," with grooves in them of the same shape as the grooves in the rolls to which they correspond, but made a little larger in order that the bar may pass along them easily. The object of the guides, as their name implies, is to direct the iron from the rolls and prevent it from winding around them or "collaring," as it is termed. In the 8" train, where the grooves are small and close together, guides are employed in the place of rests, in order to insure the entering of the rod in the right groove, and, moreover, to guide the rod horizontally into as well as out of each groove, because if this is not done the rod will be more or less flattened and untrue in section. A train fitted in this manner is called a "guide mill." Flat bars and plates require simply plain flat guides. In the beam and rail mill there are, beside the rests and guides, cast iron pieces to the right and left of each groove called "slide guides," for the purpose of preventing the iron from bending sideways, which is very often the tendency in rolling bars of unsymmetrical sections, or bars that have been unevenly heated. In rolling bars of grooved sections, like those of a beam or trough bar, wire brushes are sometimes placed behind the grooves, for the purpose of removing the scale or film of oxide which collects on the upper side.

In rolling heavy bars, such as rails and beams, a workman, at each passage, receives the iron as it leaves the groove, and returns it over the top roll along the groove which it next engages. As soon as the iron is freed from the rolls, therefore, it must be lifted to a height equal to the diameter of the top roll, and for this purpose it is received on levers with hooked ends, suspended by chains from pulleys which are free to roll along iron bars fastened to the framework of the building.

Along the top of the train is a trough containing running water. This is pierced with small holes, or has small pipes leading from it to the journals, in order to convey the water to them and prevent them from becoming too hot and cracking. Where the bodies of the rolls are liable to become heated by contact with the hot iron, the water is allowed to trickle over them, and it not only serves to keep them cool, but also to clean the hot bar or plate, by bursting into steam and scattering the scale. The roughing rolls, however, are seldom watered while the iron is in them, as the "roughers" usually have to work so close to the rolls that the scattering of the scale would inconvenience them.

The housings are cast of the most homogeneous iron that can be obtained, and made strong enough to resist all the strains and shocks that are liable to be brought upon them. Formerly they were set directly on timber or masonry, and were ill-adjusted and unstable. In the new practice, the housings and "shoes" on which they rest are accurately planed together. In the older forms the top was removable to facilitate changing rolls, but this interfered with strength and solidity. They are now made of sufficient height and width to permit changing rolls from the front or rear, and are accurately fitted to the movable chucks that hold the rolls and give them firm lateral support.—*Engineering, May 8, 1874.*

The fitting of the rolls still remains to be described. In the plate mill, the rolls being plain cylinders, the same part of them may be used for all the passes, the change of figure being produced simply by narrowing the space between them vertically at each pass. For this purpose the top roll may be moved toward or from the bottom roll by means of the screws with which it is kept in contact by counterweights.

In rolling rounds and squares the grooves are turned half in each roll, and in order to prevent the rolls from moving laterally and deranging the grooves, the brasses which press against the bodies of the rolls are regulated and held by screws in the housings which bear against the chucks.

In rolling rails, beams and flat bars, the top

roll is provided with a series of projections, and the bottom roll with a series of recesses for receiving these projections, and combining thus with the top roll to form the required set of grooves. The projections on the bottom roll are called "collars," and the roll itself the "collared roll."

**Fast Mails.**

A writer in the *World* says: Fast and slow are arbitrary terms! It was fast in the past, when Thorpe and Sprague and Faxon and Butterfield and Coe and Sherwood sent over the turnpike the telegraph line eight miles the hour, and limited to six passengers. It was position to be one of that six. "I will tell you," said a gentleman, when he wanted to describe the social standing of young Wadsworth—he was young then; we know him as the General Wadsworth dying in the civil war—"I will tell you what he is," he said; "they will take him as the seventh passenger in the Telegraph line!" Four miles or three and a half on the packet boat was not fast, but it was ever, ever so comfortable—indeed, after the surging sea of the spring thawed roads, it was luxury. The delay was as nothing compared to the relief of thus riding on, calm, dull, dozy and peaceable; but the Waverly books were not ancient literature in those days, and the pace was one which admitted of an enjoyment that found the journey only too brief.

Turn to the files of the *Evening Journal* for 1836, and you will find an admirable editorial by Thurlow Weed, describing exultantly the opening day of the Utica and Schenectady road—to Utica and return in one day! That was fast. To enjoy it by the test of contrast, it should be read with Governor Clinton's narrative of his tour in a bateau, or "Durham boat," up the Mohawk, searching out the canal question. It is very comical now, but it was tragic enough then to remember that long after the Utica road opened, the passengers westward were detained two hours in the dead of the night at Utica to wait till the locomotive could return from Syracuse. We gather these quaint memories in this day as the ladies select their oldest china to place in their parlors. The tinge of ancient flavor about them is refreshing as a safe sentimentality. It is no longer a disturbing fact.

I suppose that the Postmaster General, if he looks over old schedules and makes contrast with the fast mail's time table, says, as one of the Liverpool and Manchester railroad directors did when the Rocket told even England's blooded race horses that their day was over: "How has George Stephenson delivered himself!"

**A Water Motor.**—At the Sulzbach, Altenwald Colliery, near Saarbrücken, Prussia, machinery has been established for the transmission of power from a steam engine at the surface, by a column of water circulating under pressure, the circumstances of the case not admitting of the establishment of a direct acting steam pump under ground. The mine is sunk 306 yards below the surface. The piston rod of the high pressure engine above is connected with the pressure plungers, each of which plungers is connected with the underground engine by a tube filled with water. The last mentioned engine consists of four pressure pumps arranged in pairs, and between each pair is placed the working plunger of one of the mine pumps. When the engine on the surface acts, the power is transmitted by one pressure plunger through one water tube to a pair of pressure pumps under ground, and thence to one working plunger, which either aspirates or forces air, according to its position. The opposite pair of pumps and connections work conversely. The water is forced into an air vessel, and thence through the rising main 303 yards in height, in one lift to the surface. On the change of stroke, the water in the cylinder of the pressure pump rises in the second water tube and follows the retiring pressure plunger at the surface, the power supplied by the descent of water in one column being sufficient, with the exception of a slight allowance for friction, to effect its return in the other. If the cataract pauses of the engine at the surface are not too long, the discharge is practically continuous. The *Engineering and Mining Journal*, from whose translation of the German description the above is condensed, adds that at the Phoenix mine, in Cornwall, England, an arrangement of similar description, consisting of a plunger attached to the main pumping engine, connected by a length of tube with water pressure engine in another shaft, has been at work for the last ten years.

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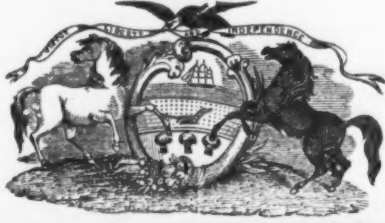
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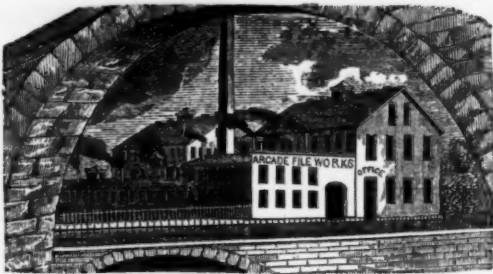
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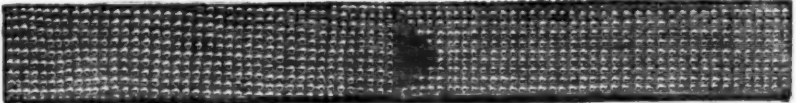
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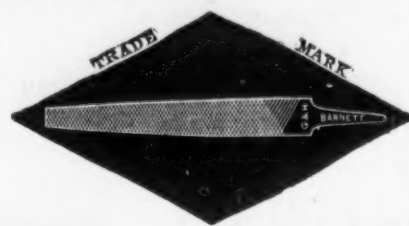
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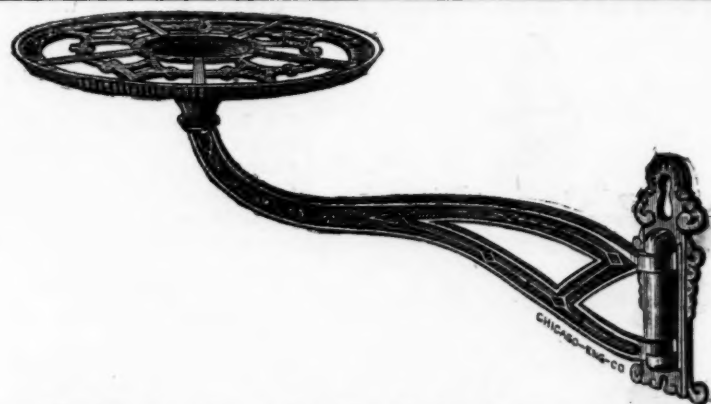
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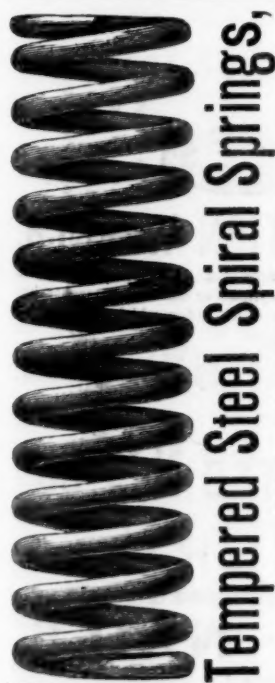
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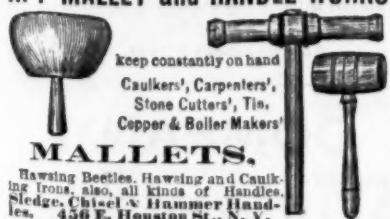
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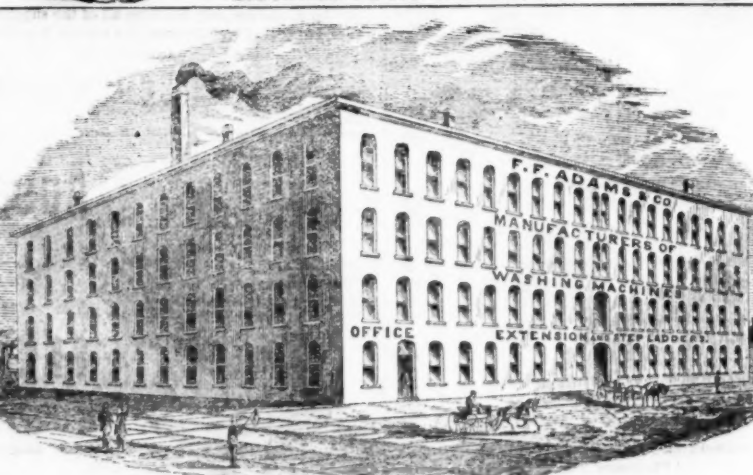
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### BUSINESS ITEMS.

#### NEW YORK.

The Rome Commercial says that the Woodstock Iron Company have begun to make "spiegel." Their ore bank, which is very rich, is located near their works. They have already received orders for their production.

The Elmira Iron and Steel Rolling Mill Company are preparing to start up their blast furnace.

Weed & Becker's axe factory, at Cohoes, the principal part of which was destroyed by fire, is now rebuilt, the machinery in order, and running day night to supply the orders that arrived while they were shut down.

#### NEW JERSEY.

Two new furnaces have been blown in at Cromwell, Lebanon county. They belong to the heirs of R. W. Coleman. The North Lebanon Furnace, at Lebanon, belonging to the Hon. G. Dawson Coleman, has also been blown in.

#### PENNSYLVANIA.

The Connelleville Machine and Car Company is extending the capacity of its works, and is full of orders. The works are now employed on the iron work for two bridges over the Casselman River, on the ore cars and a passenger car for the Green Lick narrow gauge road, and have orders beside for coal pit cars, coal shaft and furnace machinery.

There seems to be a prospect that the Kittanning rolling mills will resume operations. The old limestone well on the McNab farm, three miles north of the town, has come into the control of the iron men, who intend to have it cleaned out, and if sufficient gas is obtained, it will be conducted to the works and used for heating purposes.—Pitts. Com.

An order has been issued for the construction, at the Altoona shops, of 24 additional locomotives for the use of the Pennsylvania Railroad. In order to complete them at as early a date as possible, additional workmen will be employed and the hours of labor increased. Some of these engines will be for freight traffic, and others will be used as passenger locomotives.

A mammoth piece of hoop iron, measuring over 130 feet long and 8 inches wide, number 8 gauge in thickness, was rolled in the Lewis, Oliver & Phillips mill, Pittsburgh, the other day, for the Exposition.

The Keystone Bridge Company recently completed an iron bridge 163 feet long for the New Jersey Central at Kimmel's Lock, near Catawauqua, and is now erecting another one, 156 feet long, near the same place.

The Lebanon rolling mills have at present 153 men employed, and the mills are running day and night. There was more iron turned out last week than at any other time previous.

The Huntingdon Car Works now employ about 60 men, and are running on contracts for the Pennsylvania Railroad and for a railroad in Cuba.

The Palo Alto Iron Company's mills, in Pottsville, which have been idle for over a year, have resumed operations, about 300 men being employed, at a reduction of 25 per cent. from the former rate.

Messrs. Robinson, Rea & Co., 12 Smithfield street, Pittsburgh, are manufacturing Farrelly Allen's "triple cylinder compound balance piston engine." This is a 3 cylinder compound engine, with cylinders in line on one piston rod, or else side by side. The high pressure cylinders are single acting, taking steam at one end only. These pistons make the return stroke without back pressure, as the exhaust steam circulates on both sides of them. This style of compound engine is applicable to both high and low pressure engines, and to locomotive, stationary, marine, or pumping engines. It is claimed that it saves half the boiler and half the fuel at high pressure, or nearly double the power of steam when compared with the single cylinder.

The Standard Steel Works, near Lewistown, are doing well. At this establishment crucible steel tires are a specialty, but it has also facilities for supplying crucible steel axes, forgings, castings, etc., etc. Over 8000 tires have been supplied from these works under their present management, since January, 1873. The office of the company is at 213 South Fourth street, Philadelphia.

About a year ago Isabella furnace No. 1, at Aetna, Allegheny county, received much attention throughout the country for its remarkably large yield of pig iron. The Isabella Furnace Company own two stacks, and since last April No. 1 has been blown out and No. 2 put in blast. It has been gradually improving since it was started, and the week ending October 16th it surpassed the largest reported yield of the famous No. 1. The largest yield of No. 1 was the week ending November 7, 1874, when 702 1230-2240 tons of pig iron were made, while the largest yield of No. 2 was the week ending 16th inst., when 714 1240-2240 tons were turned out. Of this 112½ tons were made in one day. One-third of the iron was No. 1, and the remainder No. 2. This beats all other furnaces ever reported. It should be mentioned, however, that No. 2 has a 20 foot bosh, while No. 1 is but 18 feet in diameter at the bosh. Each stack is 75 feet high.

The Bulletin of the Iron and Steel Association publishes the following items respecting the Edgar Thomson Steel Works: We are indebted to Capt. Wm. R. Jones, Superintendent of the Edgar Thomson Steel Works, for a nickel plated sample of the first rail rolled at the works, September 1st, 1875. It is of the Pennsylvania Railroad 60 pound pattern, and its shape and quality appear to be perfect. We have received from the company a section of a twisted rail made from the product of their first blow, August 26, 1875, which we will place on exhibition in our office. The rail was twisted cold, and our piece of it is in shape very much like an auger, showing con-

clusively, as a well known authority has stated, that "some things can be done as well as others." During the month of September there were rolled at these works 1113 1950-2240 tons of Bessemer rails, the mill running only single turn. At the Tradesman's Industrial Exposition, at Pittsburgh, there is exhibited a steel rail rolled at Edgar Thomson which is 62 feet long. On the 5th inst. 26½ tons of steel rails were rolled. No difficulty has been experienced in operating successfully all the departments of this new and eligibly situated establishment. The company is making rails for the Northern Central Railway Co., of Pennsylvania, the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway Co., and the Allegheny Valley Railroad Co.

#### MASSACHUSETTS.

Smith & Wesson have contracted to furnish the Russian government 20,000 more army pistols, the pattern to be No. 3 with ejectors, and the work will probably be done in something less than seven months. It is proposed in the spring to build an addition, 100 feet long, to the wing on the south part of the building, to accommodate machinery for the manufacture of pistols similar to the new ones now being made, but of smaller calibre.

But few men are employed in the Boston and Albany car shops at Springfield, but they are kept well employed. Eight new box freight cars have been turned out, and enough repairing is needed to keep many more hands busy.

Clark & Chapman, of Turner's Falls, have just finished a 54 inch wheel for the Ludlow Manufacturing Co., at J. N. Mills. Business at this mill, as well as in the others, continues quite good.

The Kilton Machine Company, of Lowell, continue to keep their full force of 180 men busily at work filling orders for their patent compound opener lappers and finisher lappers; also shoddy pickers, needle pointed card clothing, etc. They are also filling large orders for Wamsutta Mills, New Bedford; Lockwood Company, Waterville, Me. The Kilton Machine Company have recently invented and patented some valuable improvements upon their openers and lappers, among these improvements being a new "elastic beater," new friction brake, oil boxes, etc.

#### CONNECTICUT.

Horton's chuck mill, at Windsor Locks, which was idle for two months during the warm weather, is now running with over half its full force.

New Britain capital is reported to be invested quite largely in the new lock company at Bridgeport. The concern is to be known as the Bridgeport Lock Company, and has a capital of \$100,000. The president and principal manager is N. G. Miller, formerly president of the Eagle Lock Company, of Terryville. Nathaniel Wheeler, of Bridgeport is largely interested. Work has already begun on their 125x40 feet building. This, and the new Sharp's rifle factory, now nearly completed, will make things livelier than ever in Bridgeport.

#### OHIO.

The Novelty Iron Works, Cleveland, have just completed the iron work for the new jail at Coldwater, Mich. They have 3 iron roofs and 12 bridges, one of them 312 feet span, for the Kanawha River, in course of construction, and are running to their full capacity.

The United States Rolling Stock Company has contracted with the Urbana Machine Works for 100 tons of castings, to be used in repairing cars.

The Cincinnati Iron Bridge Company have just closed a contract to erect one of their truss bridges in the State of New Jersey, in a neighborhood where they have heretofore built several.

The new furnace of the Iron and Steel Company, Ironton, is working on half coke and half Ashland coal, and using native ore, from Mountain, Mo., and Crawford county, Mo., one one-third each. She is now making 51 tons of iron per day.

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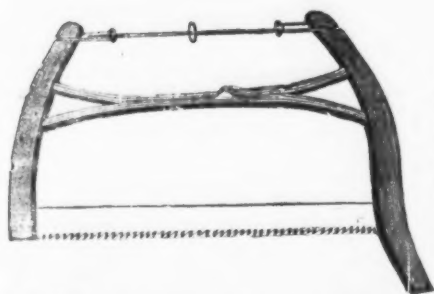
Homer, Hamilton & Co., of Youngstown, are erecting a hoisting house for the Hiram Furnace Company, the girders and columns of cast iron.

The Variety Iron Works, Cleveland, employ 75 hands and are doing a large business, working the shops to their utmost capacity. They have recently built three large revolving gravel beaters, with horse-power attachments, for the Cleveland Paving Company; a large water box, 60 feet long, for the Forest City Varnish, Oil and Naphtha Company; one large tank for Marsh & Harwood's acid works, beside numerous other smaller orders. The four 48-inch heating boilers for the city buildings, with elegant fronts, after a special design, have recently been set up.



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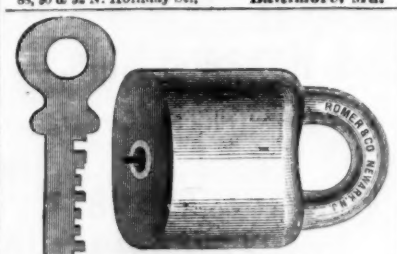
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The week past has been one of considerable and varied excitement, the principal of which was the visit of the Western and Northwestern delegation of merchants, bankers, governors in case and governors in posse, divines, dead heads, etc., to the Centennial grounds and buildings, and to this and Centennial matters must my space be devoted. The project of bringing the representative men of the great West and Northwest to see for themselves the magnitude and beauty of the preparations made for the coming exhibition, was one of the wisest which has yet been formed by the managers, and will undoubtedly bear good fruit and quickly. The entire details of the plan, which was comprehensive to a degree, and purely American in idea, were carried out to the letter. It was no small undertaking to bring several hundred guests from a distance of over 1000 miles, to lodge, feed, entertain and provide for them, and send them to their homes perfectly and thoroughly satisfied with their treatment, and enthusiastic in the support of the object for which they were brought, and yet it was done, and well done. Two large trains, exclusively of Pullman coaches, brought the Western men, who had throughout their journey all the accommodation of this excellent system of railway transit, and who, in addition, took their meals en route, a commissary car being attached at different points, and the guests accommodated with all the comforts of a first-class hotel breakfast and dinner. Whatever we cannot do in the railway line as against our English cousins, this much we can do, which they cannot, viz: dine a train load of passengers while running at the rate of 40 miles the hour. On their arrival the Centennial guests were fittingly received and provided with hotel accommodations, first receiving the salute of an illumination over the whole route between the station and their hotels. The following day was devoted to the visit to the exhibition grounds and a banquet at Belmont, with the usual speech making, and the guests left fully convinced of the magnitude of the preparations for the Centennial, the certainty of its success, and it is to be hoped—a more generally national feeling in regard to it, rather than the narrow idea which has unfortunately prevailed to too great an extent, that it is to be a Philadelphia enterprise and not national in all its aspects. The speeches were above the average, practical, as is generally the case from business men, enthusiastic from a Centennial point of view, and not too long. That the result will be an awakening of the people of the West to the importance of being represented at the exhibition, and of freely extending material aid to the enterprise, cannot be doubted. Indeed, the first fruits are seen in the comments of the Baltimore papers, from which city a large delegation was present, on the reception and the condition of the buildings. The following, from the Baltimore American editorial correspondence, gives an evidence of this:

"Whatever the impression desired to be made by the merchants of Philadelphia in drawing together the representative men of these several States, it was more than fulfilled. Even those of us who had been present at the great Exposition of Vienna were astonished at the magnificence of the buildings and the immense area of the ground covered, and in preparation for the great Centennial." The Sun, in its description of the affair, says of the Centennial enterprise: "Under all the surrounding difficulties that have beset the enterprise, the business men of Philadelphia have shown a degree of pluck that even their neighbors of New York cannot fail to admire and aid to success. Indeed, there are signs everywhere that the people of the whole country now regard the Centennial Exposition as their affair, and will come in countless thousands to insure its national as well as international characteristics."

So much for the visiting guests, and now for the affair itself. It is idle, if not useless, to attempt to give an idea of the immensity of the buildings, the grandeur of their appearance, or their actualities by the use of dimensions. Figures convey to the average mind no evidence of fact, and are rarely read at all. To tell a Wall Street man, or the occupant of a bank parlor, in a metropolitan city, that a building covers forty acres under single roof, is to give him a vague idea that it is simply bigger than another building somewhere else. To say that the Centennial buildings are nearly completed, to the man who was at Vienna, is to be answered with a strong, if polite, disbelief, and the addition of "Oh, yes!" A wilderness of dirt, empty boxes, and a mountain of material. To visit the buildings alone will convey anything like an adequate idea, and no better plan can be adopted by exhibitors, merchants or manufacturers, who may have to visit your city on business, than to take a look for themselves. Machinery Hall, in which the greater mass of your readers will be exhibitors, is finished, and is now seen in its grandeur, much better than it will be when occupied by machinery—as a building. Standing in the eastern doorway, one can just see the form of a person in the western doorway, without being able to distinguish the features or even color of clothing worn. This may give some idea of size. The main exhibition building view, from end to end, is obstructed by staging, etc., it being built from either end, and completed in the center. It is over one-third of a mile long and one-eleventh of a mile wide of unbroken floor space, and covers for years. Take these distances on Broadway, and across from the North River, and "even a New Yorker" may figure to himself this big thing in iron buildings.

Horticultural Hall, one of the most elegant buildings, is receiving the completing touches to the conservatories, and will present a magnificent area of bloom and verdure under glass. Agricultural Hall is yet too inchoate to describe, but it is rapidly advancing. Memorial Hall, to be the Art Gallery of the Exhibition, and the future Museum of Industrial Art after it is over, is probably the most perfectly proportioned building in the United States, and yet it is somewhat dwarfed by the immensity of the neighboring structures. The approaches and entrance are gems of architecture. The statues of heroic size, cast in iron and galvanized, which are to adorn the towers and wings, have arrived and are on platform cars awaiting erection. The size may be guessed at from the fact that the figures extend the entire length of a platform car each. Commerce, mining, manufactures, agriculture and art are here typified on a truly heroic scale, but in perfect harmony of proportion. But enough of the Centennial Building. It is to the readers of The Iron Age, who represent every branch of the industry, we would speak. The reports indicate that fewer exhibitors appear, as yet, among the iron manufacturers than almost any other trade. Unless others yet appear the iron ores of the country will be almost unrepresented—only one each from Lake Superior and Missouri are reported as yet. This is not creditable. Foreign nations will

send us everything of their best. In many articles both native to our country and of our manufacture we can beat this best—whether we do it or not will materially affect our future trade, and in a purely monetary point of view it will be profitable. Nor is the matter of aid to the cause by subscription to be forgotten. Dropping patriotism and national pride it is distinctly stated that the very best reasons exist for believing that every share subscribed for will be refunded in full with profit—in short, to use the trite quotation, "there's millions in it," truly.

Sir Chas. Wheatstone, F. R. S.

A dispatch received from Paris, having date of the 21st inst., announces the death of this distinguished scientist, which occurred there yesterday. Prof. Wheatstone was born in Gloucester, England, in 1802, and in early youth was engaged in the manufacture of musical instruments. This occupation led him to study the laws of sound and their application to music, and from this he proceeded to investigate the laws of light experimentally. He published in the Journal of the Royal Institution and the Philosophical Magazine many experiments in optics and acoustics, made in his researches. In 1833, through Prof. Faraday, he communicated to the Royal Society a paper on "Acoustic Figures," and the following year he sent his memorable "Account of Some Experiments to Measure the Velocity of Electricity and the Duration of Electric Light." The same year he was appointed Professor of Experimental Philosophy in King's College, London, and was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1836. In June, 1838, he communicated to the Royal Society a paper entitled "Contributions to the Physiology of Vision," describing in it and giving the name to the stereoscope, now so familiar to everybody. His experiments with electricity brought him to see in a measure the great revolution since effected in the transmission of intelligence, and in connection with Mr. William Fothergill Cooke he attained such results as entitled him to be regarded as one of the inventors of the electric telegraph. Though Prof. Morse's invention was undoubtedly of earlier date, it is not known that Prof. Wheatstone had any knowledge of Prof. Morse's discovery when he in June, 1836, made public his own experiments. He was associated with Mr. Cooke in the first telegraph patent in England. An official paper by the late Sir M. I. Brunel and Prof. Daniell, at a time when some misunderstanding had arisen from the conflicting claims to the origin of the invention in England, presents his connection with the invention in the following language: "In March, 1836, Mr. Cooke, while engaged at Heidelberg in scientific pursuits, witnessed for the first time one of those well known experiments on electricity, considered as a possible means of communicating intelligence, which have been tried and exhibited, from time to time, during many years by various philosophers. Struck with the vast importance of an instantaneous mode of communicating intelligence (especially by the medium of railways), and impressed with a strong conviction that so great an object might be attained by means of electricity, he immediately directed his attention to the adaptation of electricity to a practical system of telegraphing, and giving up the profession in which he was engaged he from that hour devoted himself exclusively to the realization of that object. He returned to England in April, 1836, to perfect his plans. In February, 1836, while engaged in completing a set of instruments for an intended experimental application of his telegraph to a tunnel on the Liverpool and Manchester Railroad, he was introduced by Dr. Roget to Prof. Wheatstone, who for several years had given much attention to the subject of transmitting intelligence by electricity, and had made several discoveries of the highest importance connected with this subject. Among these were his well known determination of the velocity of electricity when passing through a metal wire; his experiments, in which the deflection of magnetic needles, the decomposition of water, and other voltaic and magneto-electric effects were produced through greater lengths of wire than had ever before been experimented upon, and his original method of converting a few wires into a considerable number of circuits, so that they might transmit the greatest number of signals which can be given by a given number of wires by the deflection of magnetic needles. In May, 1837, Messrs. Cooke & Wheatstone took out a joint English patent, on a footing of equality, for their existing inventions, and the undertaking rapidly progressed until it attained the character of a simple and practical system, worked out scientifically on the sure basis of actual experience. While Mr. Cooke is entitled to stand alone as the gentleman to whom this country is indebted for having practically introduced and carried out the electric telegraph as a useful undertaking, and Prof. Wheatstone is acknowledged as the scientific man whose profound and successful researches have already prepared the public to receive it as a project capable of practical application, it is to the united labors of two gentlemen so well qualified for mutual assistance that we must attribute the rapid progress which this important invention has made during the five years since they have been associated." This paper appeared in April, 1841. The electro-magnetic alarm was also invented by him, as well as several instruments for registering, by means of electro magnetism, the indications of the thermometer and barometer, the transient observations in astronomy and extremely short intervals of time. He had twice received the Royal Society's medals for discoveries. In 1855 he received from the Emperor Napoleon III. the decoration of Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, for his "application of the electric telegraph." In 1858 he published a volume of experimental researches. In 1863 the Queen conferred on him the honor of knighthood. He received the degree of LL. D. from the University of Edinburgh, April 12, 1869. Prof. Wheatstone's health had been failing for some time.



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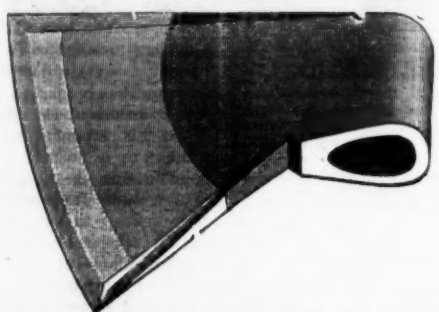
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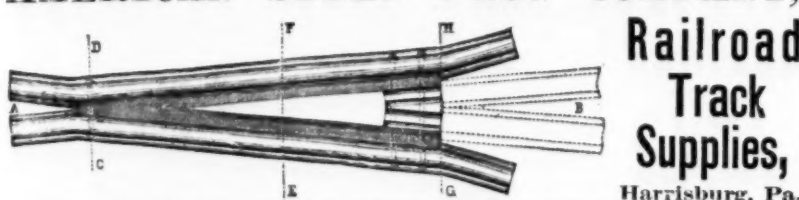
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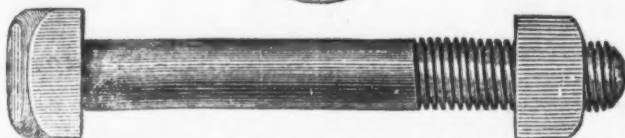
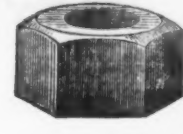
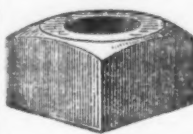
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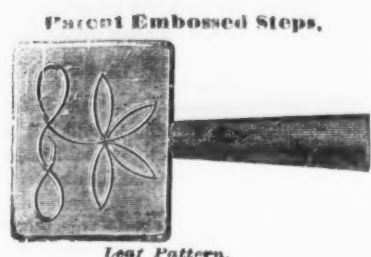
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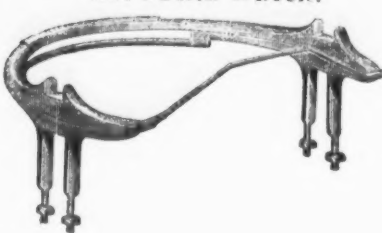
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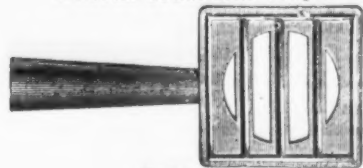
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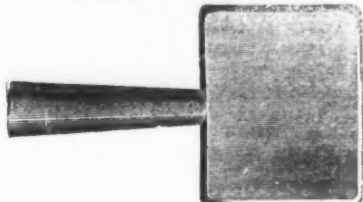
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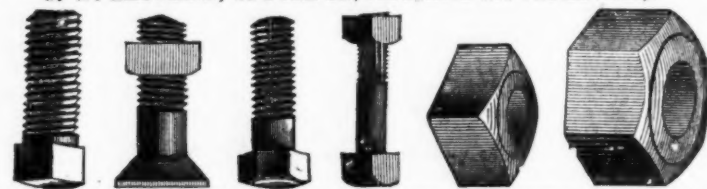
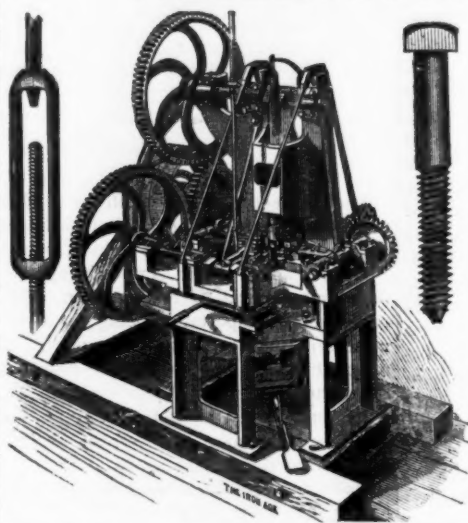
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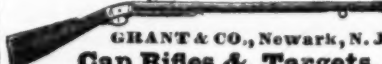
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## Labor and Wages.

The charge of Judge Orvis to the jury impaneled to try Siny and Parks, the leaders in the late riots and disturbances in the anthracite mining districts of Pennsylvania, contains many wise and practical comments on questions of interest to both workmen and employers. We regret that our space does not permit us to quote liberally from this charge, but we make room for one passage which defines the relations of labor and capital so clearly that it should be read and considered by workmen in all trades. We quote as follows:

Nothing can probably control the price of labor but the law of supply and demand. If work is plenty and laborers scarce they can increase their wages by demanding it, because the employer has no option. If work is scarce

and laborers plenty, competition will bring down the price of labor as it will of everything else. No class of men has the right to monopolize any particular kind of labor. Each individual has the right to engage in any kind of work that suits him, and to sell his labor for any price he can obtain for it, and a combination or organization designed to interfere with this right is against public policy and unlawful. All persons who labor for others do so upon the terms of a contract, either expressed or implied. If an agreement is made in advance as to the wages, it is an express contract; if no such agreement is made, the law implies a contract on the part of the employer to pay whatever the laborer is reasonably worth, or what others are receiving for similar work. Neither the employer or employee can compel the other to pay or receive more or less than he is willing to contract for. The law gives the employer no right to impose upon the laborer, for if he is dissatisfied with his wages or his treatment he may go elsewhere or seek other employment. The whole country is open and free to him, but he must not prevent or hinder others from working who are willing to do so.

There is nothing new or original in this definition of the rights of labor, but it has the merits of simplicity and brevity, and at the same time it covers the whole ground. It is of the utmost importance to an intelligent understanding of the relations of labor to capital that the working man should appreciate the fact that society is not divided into two great antagonistic classes—capitalists and laborers. Every man who knows a trade or is able to work is as truly a capitalist as the man who owns a factory filled with costly machinery. His capital is his physical strength and his acquired skill in the performance of some useful labor. When he gains possession of a shovel or a kit of tools, he has become—in a small way, of course—a capitalist who owns machinery, and is able to direct and operate that machinery in useful production. Like the larger capitalists, the workman offers to exchange services of one kind for those of another. He may demand what he likes in exchange for his services, but his demand does not determine their value. The large capitalists are at liberty to charge a dollar for the service he renders in converting a pound of pig iron into merchant bar, and he may refuse, if he chooses, to render this service for a less equivalent than one dollar per pound of the finished product. But obviously no one would pay this amount for this service, so long as there are others who will render the same service for a less compensation. Were there but one puddling furnace and one roll train, and no other means of making wrought iron, the owner of so valuable a plant might ask a dollar a pound for the service of converting pig iron into merchant bar, and would undoubtedly get it. The same rule applies to the small capitalist, who calls himself a workman. We will suppose that he is skilled as a puddler or roller, and has the physical strength to work his trade. If no other man could be had to work the single puddling furnace or roll train, he could demand half a dollar a pound, and perhaps more, for every pound of merchant bar he might make. We know a mechanic who works every day at a bench, and who has no partnership interest in his employers' business, who receives wages to the amount of fifteen thousand dollars a year, and is in no danger of losing his place. Practically, he is in the position of the supposed puddler or roller, who alone understands the business of converting cast iron into wrought iron. He is skilled in a branch of mechanical work which no other man in the country can perform so well as he, consequently his services are in such demand, and the competition among employers to obtain them is so active, that he commands the amount named. Let us suppose, however, that he were one of five hundred men in the same trade who can do this work indifferently well. Of such men there are more than are needed, consequently they are continually competing for employment, and are willing to sell their services cheap. From five to six hundred dollars a year is the average value of services in the trade in which the one man we have mentioned earns fifteen thousand dollars. Any one of the others who can do the same kind of work less skillfully, might value his services at fifteen thousand dollars a year, but obviously he could not command this price, for others as skillful as he are ready and anxious to sell their services for six hundred dollars a year. Now, it is evident, if we consider closely, that the one mechanic who earns these high wages, does not command it merely because he is skillful. A man might possess a monopoly of the skill in carving concentric ivory balls, after the manner of the Chinese artisans, and not be able to make a living in this country. No one wants his services, and a supply of anything for which there is no demand is valueless. An average blacksmith could sell his skill for more than the carver of ivory balls could command, because there is a demand for blacksmiths, and the number competing for employment is not so great as to depress the value of a blacksmith's services below the amount on which a man can comfortably support himself and his family. Thus we see that

the price of labor is determined by the same natural law which determines the value of all other commodities. When buyers are competing the seller has the advantage; when sellers are competing the advantage is with the buyer.

If these simple elementary truths could be impressed upon the minds of the workmen, they would at once see the folly and futility of all efforts to artificially increase the value of their services. What demagogues and trade union organizations delight to call "the war of labor upon capital" is no new crusade. It began, if we remember rightly, in the fifteenth century, and has continued with more or less bitterness ever since. During this time the condition of the working classes has greatly improved, and the improvement is still going on; but it is an improvement which has taken place in spite of, and not because of, the lack of a harmony of purpose and action between employers and employed. The natural laws of trade are as immutable in their operations to-day as they were four centuries ago, and all human power cannot set them aside or suspend their operation. Labor is, and always will be, merchandise. Those who have it to sell can only get for it so much as those who are asked to buy it are willing to give. Self interest, which is equally strong on both sides, operates to protect the seller against injustice and the buyer against extortion; while the public interest demands that the exchange of services should be free. Intimidation, threats, or violence to person or property, which have for their object a disturbance of the natural relations existing between labor and capital, are crimes against society, and when they go unpunished the rule of law gives place to anarchy.

## Centennial Transportation Facilities.

The character of the facilities in preparation for handling articles and packages shipped to the Centennial Exhibition are such as to admit of the service being rendered in a very satisfactory manner. This problem of transportation being one of the most important relating to the success of an exhibition, it is gratifying to find that the matter has been well provided for. Mr. Adolphus Torrey is at the head of the Bureau of Transportation for the Centennial International Exhibition. The national system of interchange of cars enables goods from all points in the United States or the Canadas to be shipped directly to Philadelphia, without breaking bulk, and water communication opens the exhibition to all parts of the world. The service upon the grounds will include the delivery of the goods or packages in the space where they are to be unpacked and displayed; the removal and storage during the Exhibition of the empty packing cases, and finally, when they are refilled with the articles exhibited, removing them from the Exhibition for reshipment.

As the greater part of the goods arrive in a space of a very few days just previous to the opening, arrangements have been made to dispose of a great bulk of freight in an exceedingly short time. Separate railroad stations are provided to the number of eleven, each station answering for that portion of the grounds and buildings in its neighborhood. These stations consist of covered platforms 160 feet long by 24 wide, at which 5 cars at a time can unload, and side tracks at each station accommodate 5 cars more. Four of these platforms will immediately adjoin the main Exhibition Building. Three are for the use of the Machinery Hall, but the tracks will also traverse the whole length of this structure in several aisles, for the unloading of heavy articles. Of the remaining stations, one will be near the United States government buildings, one will be for the use of the Agricultural Building, and one will be at another point near the lake.

The floor space of the larger buildings is divided into rectangular compartments, lettered and numbered, somewhat after the plan of the Philadelphia streets, a plan which makes it easy for the exhibitor to find his proper location. Large sheds will be provided for the storage of the packing cases, which will be registered and numbered to correspond with the location of the exhibit to which they belong, a plan by which they will readily be reclaimed.

On the occasion of the recent "Railway Jubilee," commemorating the semi-centennial anniversary of the opening of the Stockton & Darlington Railway, two rails of unusual length were rolled at the Britannia Iron Works, Middlesborough. One was 108 feet and the other 112 feet long. They were of the ordinary T shape, weighing 40 lbs. to the yard. The 62 foot rail lately rolled at the Edgar Thompson Steel Works was the largest we remember hearing of as having been rolled in an American mill.

## The Metric System.

From time to time the subject of introducing the metric system into this country is brought up and canvassed, the newspapers upon the periodical appearance of the theme taking it up and publishing uncounted columns in praise of its advantages. One not familiar with the facts would naturally conclude from all this talk that, in the metric system of weights and measures, a cure is to be found for all our mathematical troubles. Indeed, it seems to be very generally supposed that calculation will become a mere pastime when the new system is adopted, and we are no longer troubled with the tables of weights and measures—the bugbears of so many school rooms. But notwithstanding the unqualified commendation it has received, the progress made by the system is by no means rapid, nor gratifying to its advocates. While its use has been authorized by Congress, and the scientific men of the country are employing it to some extent in their calculation, there is more or less aversion among the practical men to the adoption of any such system—an aversion, however, which makes itself more felt by passive resistance than by any direct, active opposition. Thus, in past time, among certain scale makers, there was always a decided dislike to the French system. They "hated anything decimal," not from trade dislike, but because there were extra annoyances connected with it that were by no means to be disregarded. What these are we will briefly consider.

The metric system of weights and measures is of French origin, and was first suggested in 1538. It took practical shape about 1790. It is a decimal system, in which the units of length, surfaces, solidity and weight are correlated, two data only being used, the metre and the weight of a cube of water the side of which is one hundredth part of a metre. In theory this is exceedingly simple, and when we learn that the metre is to bear a certain definite proportion to the quarter part of the meridian of Paris, it seems to have a certain relationship to a standard which is always accessible, and from which, should the metre be lost, the recovery would be easy, since the metre was to be one ten millionth part of the quadrant of the meridian of Paris. Unfortunately, the measurements were not of sufficient accuracy to be of any value, and it would be impossible to recover the measure from the arc of the meridian, hence the standard is, to speak accurately, an arbitrary one, in spite of the assertions in regard to it. While the decimal system of weights and measures presents certain advantages in the matter of calculation, it is by no means certain that general calculations are as easy as they would be with other properly devised systems. The defects of the decimal system of notation are by no means small, and its real advantage, or the one which has probably given it such a wide acceptance, is the device of place. The base of the system is regarded by many as a very unfortunate number, and could science be applied to give us a new system of notation, the result would be a really desirable improvement. While the decimal system affords great facilities for complex calculations, it is by no means the most convenient for the calculations of the store and the workshop. As a rule, each trade has a system of measures or weights best adapted to its wants, and contrived so that its calculations can be made with the minimum labor. The difficulty in the olden time was that there were no really accurate standards for the comparison of these different systems of weights and measures, and thus endless confusion resulted. Science stepped in and attempted to settle the difficulty by giving a decimal system as a substitute for all the confusion. In some respects the substitution was a good one. Unfortunately, however, the decimal system is not the best one that could be desired for an arithmetical notation, and hence in its application to weights and measures there are the same objections to it that are found in using it for calculating. It is to be noted that it is a system of special value to the man of science, and may be said to be contrived for his convenience. Yet the number of persons who employ it in a way to appreciate its advantages may be told by the hundred, while there are hundreds of thousands who use it in the small way and see only its troubles and annoyances. One of the things urged against our ordinary system of weights and measures is their complexity and the difficulty of performing operations with them. This complexity is really a matter easily set right by an exercise of the memory or a reference to the tables themselves, and not a matter requiring thought. It is claimed, however, that the use of the decimal system will abolish all this trouble, and that the time lost in memorizing the tables will be saved. In a considerable experience in schools and teaching we have uniformly found that there were as many, if not more, mistakes

made in decimal fractions and the like than in the so called exercises in reduction, and in decimals there was nothing to which reference could be made to check errors. Errors in the use of the decimal point are exceedingly common among all classes of persons after leaving school, and usually these errors are of a nature to escape detection by the persons themselves. Every one is supposed to be able to multiply and divide, but the theory of decimal fractions is generally a matter passed lightly over in school education.

Decimal notation has not been successfully applied to time, to the division of the circle, nor to the arrangement of music. A lecturer in this city, not a great while ago, gave a very amusing description of the attempt made by an orchestra to play a piece of music with ten half notes to the measure. The failure was, of course, complete. In the workshop the use of the metric system is not convenient, for, while the measure does not readily come into a size convenient for the pocket, the divisions are either too large or too small to make measurements of the most convenient character. Practically, a variety of tables are needed. For example, the metal worker has two systems of measurements known as the Birmingham and American wire gauge. This has been the outgrowth of necessity, and if the decimal system be adopted we shall, doubtless, have various other systems of measurement used for convenience in various arts and trades. In the store and workshop the half, quarter, third, eighth and sixteenth are constantly recurring fractions, and in these the decimal system of weights and measures is confessedly weak, a large part of the most commonly used fractions being represented by repeating decimals, and others by a considerable number of figures. It is probably on account of the many disadvantages of this kind that the decimal system has been so slow in obtaining a foothold. On the other hand, the old tables of weights and measures are the results of long usage which carefully selected the most convenient forms and those which reduced the labor of calculation to a minimum.

We think, in spite of the very perfect form which the system has, that the science can give us one both better and more convenient, and certainly one in which the nomenclature shall be less likely occasion error. It is to-day a very difficult matter to insure correctness, for when one writes gram, which is the usual abbreviation of gramme, it is very commonly printed grain, and *vice versa*. The tables of the United States money is a model in this respect, and is far in advance of the French system in a practical way, yet in spite of this fact currency prices and calculations are daily made in shillings, which shows that the decimal system is not perfect, since the other method of computation, on account of greater convenience, is frequently used by a large class of small tradesmen.

## Tin and Tin Plates.

The statistical position of tin is interesting. During the nine months ended with September, there were shipped from the Straits and Australia, 12,542 tons of block tin, against 7698 tons for the same time last year. The deliveries from London this year were 10,070 tons, against 5276 tons last year. The general position of the metal on the 1st of October was as follows:

STOCK OF TIN IN EUROPE.			
	Oct. 1, 1875.	Oct. 1, 1874.	Oct. 1, 1873.
Banca's warrants.....	235	877	1,385
"Trading Company.....	2,992	3,982	4,120
Billiton.....	919	1,010	860
Straits and Australian at London.....	5,595	2,658	1,977
	9,744	8,527	8,242

AMOUNT OF TIN AFOLOAT FOR EUROPE.			
	Oct. 1, 1875.	Oct. 1, 1874.	Oct. 1, 1873.
Banca.....	628	138	150
Billiton.....	1,000	350	250
Straits.....	1,140	930	150
Australian.....	1,339	1,000	120
	4,031	2,308	590

From this it appears that the general position of the metal was less favorable on the 1st instant than at the same date last year.

The excitement which attended the late rapid advance has been followed by a season of calmer reflection and more careful operation, both in this country and in Holland. Mail advices from Australia up to the beginning of August report a curtailed production at the mines, and the opinion is expressed that there will be a decrease in the shipments to England, whereas it appears that expectations of larger shipments from that country to the United States, as well as to China, are likely to be realized. During the first eight months of the current year the shipments of Straits tin to the United States were 36,321 piculs, against 26,355 last year—an increase of 9966 piculs, equal to 596 tons.

The position of the market for tin plates has been extremely unsatisfactory for hold-



ers. A comparison of prices at the dates given below will be of interest:

NEW YORK PRICES, GOLD—ORDINARY BRANDS.  
Oct. 28, 1875. July 1, 1875. July 1, 1874.

Charcoal Bright... \$7.37 1/2 @ 7.50 \$8.25 @ 8.50 \$10.25 @ 10.50  
Charcoal Term... 7.00 @ 7.25 7.50 @ 7.75 9.00 @ 9.50  
Coke Tin... 6.37 1/2 @ 6.62 1/2 6.75 @ 7.00 8.00 @ 8.25  
Coke Term 6.25 @ 6.50 6.75 @ 7.00 7.00 @ 7.25

The recent advance in hematite pig iron and block tin in England adds one shilling per box to the cost of tin plates over there, but they had not improved that much. At the present market value in England and here we are still 50c., gold, per box below the cost of importation. Yet our dealers do not complain of a lack of demand; on the contrary, tin plates have of late sold in excess of last year at this season. What they complain of is the low price which the article is bringing, and as they hold the stock, it is difficult to explain why they do not agree upon an enhanced selling price, since what they sell cannot be replaced at the same figure. A comparison between present rates and those ruling on July 1, as per table above, shows that we have since then declined 8 per cent. Yet for Straits tin, inactive as it is, this market now commands 19 1/4 c., gold, against 18 1/4 c., gold, there, an improvement of a little over 5 per cent. Admitting that the advance in tin may have been legitimate, tin plates certainly appear unduly depressed.

#### New Publications.

LABOR IN EUROPE AND AMERICA, by Edward Young, Ph. D., Chief of the United States Bureau of Statistics. Government Printing Office. 864 p.

This is a work of vast labor and research, containing an immense mass of information and statistics of the rates of wages, cost of subsistence and the condition of the working classes in Great Britain, Germany, France, Belgium and other countries of Europe, and also in the United States and British America. The material contained in this work was mostly gathered during a tour through Europe by the author, who was afforded every possible facility in obtaining the necessary information. The methods employed for obtaining the figures the author has explained to us, and also the various processes by which the results were obtained. It is sufficient to say that, while we are unable to give an explanation of them here, we are perfectly convinced of their soundness in principle, as well as of the accuracy of the resulting conclusions. While the work presents an accurate view of the present condition of labor in Europe and America at the present time, the author has given a most exhaustive and exact historical account of labor from the earliest times to the present, a very large proportion of which is from original sources. Laws, trade unions, co-operative associations and numberless other matters pertinent to the subject are taken up, and, in addition to useful, valuable and new information, we have an array of figures as satisfying to the practical man as they are gratifying to the student. The minuteness of detail in all parts of the work is surprising, and this detail of figures is supplemented by letter press which makes the tables not only useful but interesting.

We cannot give a better idea of the thoroughness of the work than by mentioning some of the facts to be found under a single head. Opening at random to Scotland, we find first tables of wages embracing all the men employed in engineering works. These follow like tables of all classes of workpeople in the jute and linen factories. Ordinary mechanical operations, farm labor, and all classes of mechanical labor in another portion of the country, form the subject matter of the concluding tables, which represent almost every occupation in the country. Prices of clothing, of provisions, of dry goods, and the expenditure of workmen's families are the subjects of other sections and tables, so that a person is able to obtain a most accurate knowledge of the condition of labor in any given country, as well as all the circumstances by which it is surrounded. In addition to statistical information, there is a vast fund of general information in the shape of reports, letters and observations made by the author, and facts furnished him by different large manufacturing firms. Information concerning the condition of the working classes in Great Britain, Germany, France and Belgium is especially full, and largely compiled from information gathered by the author on the ground, and, whenever possible, verified by careful inquiry among the artisans and mechanics. Other countries are treated as fully as the available information concerning them would warrant.

The portion of the work devoted to the United States is rich in information of the most exact and comprehensive character, but it would be impossible in the brief limits of a hastily written review, to summarize its showing. The reader will notice that Dr. Young has aimed to present facts, and these only. Nowhere do we find any more detailed expression of opinion than is necessary to a clear explanation of the statistical information presented. Protectionists and free traders can both turn to the work with confidence, knowing that whatever the showing of the figures given, the aim of the author has been to set forth simply the truth. We congratulate Dr. Young on the success of this great work, which, we are sorry to say, he considers his last.

A GRAPHIC METHOD FOR SOLVING CERTAIN ALGEBRAIC EQUATIONS, by Prof. George L. Vose. WATER AND WAT R SUPPLY, by Prof. W. H. Corfield, M. A., of the University College, London. D. Van Nostrand, 23 Warren St., N. Y.

These two volumes form Nos. 16 and 17 of Van Nostrand's science series. The first presents diagrams by which a considerable number of algebraic equations may be solved di-

rectly. To some the methods will be both new and interesting. The second work deals largely with problems of water supply long since solved by mechanical engineers. The practical part relates almost entirely to English methods, and has little of either interest or value in this country.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION FOR THE YEAR 1874. Government Printing Office.

Beside the usual reports of the secretary and various committees, we have a good number of interesting papers upon various scientific subjects. Laplace-Laplace, Quetelet and De La Rive open the collection. Among the more important papers are the following: "On Tides and Tidal Action," by Prof. G. E. Heilgard; "Warming and Ventilation," by Gen. Morin, and one on "A Dominant Language for Science," by Alphonse de Candolle of Geneva, Switzerland. There are many others of interest which we have not space to notice here.

#### Practical Observations Upon the Puddling Process.

BY J. M. BURTON.

(Concluded.)

In treating of the actual working in the furnace, it seems best to describe the changes as they would appear to a spectator, leaving till later the explanation of the chemical changes of each division.

For the sake of greater clearness and the convenience of reference we will divide the whole operation of the boiling process into the following heads:

1. Charging the furnace.
2. Melting the metal.
3. Cooling the bath and preparing the proper slag.

4. Action of the slag or boiling the iron.
5. Turning and balling the iron.
6. Drawing the charge.

1. Before "charging the furnace," or introducing the cold metal, the furnace should be brought to as high a heat as possible, the solid door (mentioned in the description of the external appearance of the furnace) is raised by means of the lever and chain and fastened open. Then several shovels full of squeezer cinder are scattered over the hearth, and on this the pig metal, about 500 lbs., is thrown. The metal should be cast in the center for the convenience in turning the pig, and the whole operation, although the lifting is severe, should be performed quickly, lest the furnace become too cold by the door being open so long. The fire may be levelled (coal put on) before the charging is quite finished. Finally, the door is lowered, and made firm by a bar and wedge; a lump of coal is placed in the opening of the working door, and the aperture entirely closed by a small iron plate; coal dust is placed around the bottom of both doors, to keep the air from being sucked in through the crevices.

2. Melting the metal. The furnace is now left to the care of the "helper," who must watch the flame carefully, and keep up a strong fire until he perceives the iron to be have become red-hot. This generally takes about 15 minutes, the fire having been stirred with a long rod ("poked up") several times. The plate is then taken down, the coal removed, and a crow bar inserted; all the iron should be now "turned" so as to expose to the flame the parts previously covered. This operation should be performed rapidly, as I have seen much trouble caused by the plate being down too long, although the pig bars often require much labor and no little patience from getting jammed, before they can be properly burned. At the end of this operation the fire generally requires more coal, and from my own experience I prefer throwing it on with the shovel, rather than using the fire hook, which is more apt to cake the fuel. The metal requires to be burned once more before completely melted; after that it is covered on the top with a white crust (magnetic oxide).

At the end of half or three-quarters of an hour the plate is finally cast to one side, and the helper introduces a bar first, and breaks up the lumps of metal not completely melted. A hooked bar, called a "rabble," is then used, and the whole bath carefully tested for unmelted portions. The temperature is then lowered by shutting the damper, and putting on a good covering of coal, whilst the puddler generally takes this opportunity to clean his grate. Some iron will not, however, permit the lowering of the damper, and will only bear the cooling process which I am now about to mention under the third heading.

3. Cooling the bath and preparing the refining slag is done by casting into the liquid bath scales from the finishing rolls, which consist essentially of magnetic oxide (Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>); this is continued until the bath has become thick and pasty, so that the tool can only pass through it with difficulty. After the use of two or three "rabblings," it begins to grow liquid, and its characteristics must then be carefully observed—if it is reddish and runs thinly, more scales must be added, but if it is thick and white, the proper slag has been obtained.

4. Soon the slag begins to work, and large bubbles rise to the surface. The damper is now raised, so as to gradually increase the heat whilst the rabble is exchanged for a similar tool, except with a much broader hook, called a "splasher." The helper must now work rapidly and thoroughly, with long scooping motions, so as to intermix the cinder, and get all the iron off the bottom, paying especial attention to the corners or "jams." If this is done properly the bubbles grow more frequent, emitting a small, blue flame, whilst the whole bath gradually rises until the slag begins to flow out of the working door into a small iron wagon called a "buggy." The impurities of the pig, consisting essentially of phosphorus, blow out with the slag in the form of small

black scales, which, at the furnace door, are of considerable size, and so light that I have often seen them lifted from the surface of the slag and carried up the chimney by the draft. These must all be removed with the greatest care, and at as low a temperature as is considered safe.

The puddler now takes the tool and the "boiling" fairly begins. This, as may be inferred from the name, consists in an apparent violent boiling of the entire bath, whilst small blue flames play over the surface and follow the furrows made by the tools. The slag or cinder becomes brighter and somewhat thinner, appearing of darker color further back in the furnace. The iron—or, rather, steel iron—"comes to nature," as it is called, and floats on the surface in beautiful little lumps or crystals resembling snow. The puddler, during this period, should have plenty of the refining cinder mixed with his iron, as it is much better to tap off the excess at the end of the "heat" rather than risk bringing out an imperfectly boiled product called "raw iron."

When all the iron seems to be on the surface it is best washed in the cinder, and made homogeneous by giving a rotary motion to the tool, causing the crystals to revolve and exchange place with those below. The bath grows stiffer, and the "splashers" are exchanged for the "rabblers," whilst the bottom and sides are carefully worked over to prevent portions of the iron from sticking fast, which would be of the greatest inconvenience afterward.

The temperature during the boiling must be kept at a very high point—generally as high as the furnace is capable, though the cinder may become too thin and acid to mix well with the iron. Soon all the cinder seems to have sunk to the bottom, all ebullition ceases, and then the iron is said to have "dropped," which terminates the boiling period and brings us to the fifth division.

5. The wrought iron is now robbed of its protecting cover of cinder, and lies exposed to the full action of the flame, which by this time is generally of a hot, clear, oxidizing character, and must be changed, by the addition of coal, to a reducing flame.

The helper now takes a crowbar and "turns" the iron, by inserting to the bottom of the hearth and throwing the iron on top of the other, beginning at the center, and dividing the bath into two divisions. This is repeated some two or three times, whilst all particles attached to the bottom and sides are carefully removed. "Raw iron" is very apt to betray itself at this point, by being acted upon by the cinder lying on the bottom, showing bubbles of gas.

The puddler now takes the bar (called a paddle), and must use all his strength in the severe labor of "balling the iron." If the iron is homogeneous, and retains enough cinder, it should weld with ease and yield to the pressure of the bar; but if not, it will crumble and give great trouble.

The object of balling is to collect as quickly as possible the hottest portions and make them the nucleus of a ball as round as possible, and weighing about a hundred pounds. Two or three more are made, and rolled in the cinder which lies on the bottom. The waste caused by oxidation is very apparent whenever a ball is allowed to remain in the draft from the working door, the iron and cinder running off into the cinder below.

The fire is, therefore, carefully and quickly "levelled," or covered with a layer of fresh coal, so that no holes may give a passage for an oxidizing flame, the wedge and bar are removed, and the large tongs for the drawing out of the balls are taken down. The "buggy," which consists of a large iron ring, mounted on wheels, is placed below the furnace door, and on this ring the ball is dropped, and wheeled off to the squeezers. The character of the iron is shown most clearly by its action under the squeezers. A soft, well worked iron will yield with every motion of the iron jaw, and soon a clear cinder will flow out from all sides. The action will be similar under the puddle rolls giving at the end a long flexible bar free from cracks. A raw iron will yield less readily, and soon show more or less large gaps and cracks, from which proceeds long blue flames. A raw iron will sometimes retain sufficient cinder to apparently heal these wounds, but there is generally much waste from the iron crumbling off and breaking as well under the rolls as under the squeezers. Cold iron will act very much like raw iron, though not necessarily accompanied by the blue flame, and the helper must watch the blooms (or balls), and keep them hot by raising the damper or poking up the fire.

When the charge is all drawn the cinder in the bottom is thickened, generally by the addition of squeezer cinder, the sides smoothed by splashing it against them and the hearth carefully cleaned for the next "heat." More cinders are scattered over the bottom, the pig iron thrown in and the "melting down" once more begun.

#### THE CHEMICAL PHENOMENA OF THE PUDDLING PROCESS.

As I have previously intimated, I will take each of the divisions into which I have divided the whole process, and endeavor to portray as clearly and concisely as possible the chemical changes that take place.

#### THE MELTING OF THE METAL.

Under this head we will first speak of the cinder left from the previous charge which was splashed up against the sides, and the squeezer cinder thrown in. The two cinders may be considered as bearing a strong similarity to each other in constitution, if the puddler secures them from his own balls. Squeezer cinder shows the following composition upon analysis:

	Calvert & Johnson.	Kollman.
Silica	16.33	15.38
Iron (FeO)	69.23	52.14
		Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> 22.31
Sulphide of Iron	6.80	
Phosphoric acid	3.80	2.30

These may be considered as highly basic sil-

icates containing much of the impurities of the pig metal, and therefore, when fused, forms an impure "refining slag." The object of this addition to the "charge" may easily be inferred, viz., to act on the fused metal that lies on the bottom, and thereby form a more homogeneous decarburization. In puddling iron, for the manufacture of rails, this addition of a refining slag is omitted, causing the iron to lie heavily on the bottom during the process, giving a "product rich in carbon. If the clear cinder flowing out during the boiling could be conveniently collected, or the cinder from heating furnaces used, they would both undoubtedly be much purer, and of the same essential character (Fe<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub> + Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>), but I have never seen the experiment practically tested.

Another point, of undoubted influence upon the iron, is the fact that the greater part of the cinder splashed against the sides fuses down again into the bath, the worst feature being that it probably occurs during the high temperature of the boiling period, when the phosphorus cannot be removed, except imperfectly, under the squeezers. These remarks are also applicable to the impurities contained in the ore used in "fixing" the furnace. The Missouri ore has an advantage almost equal to its purity, in the fact of its great solidity, and as a hematite (Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) will sustain a strong heat for a long time without being renewed; for every piece of cold ore placed in the furnace absorbs a certain amount of heat, which should have been given to the metal, causing the furnace to "work cold," and producing waste, and a tendency toward a "raw iron."

We are now brought to the consideration of the action of the pig metal as it approaches the state of fusion. The first reaction is undoubtedly that of a strong oxidation of the surfaces, when brought to a red heat, increasing with the temperature. This is shown in the formation of a white crust (magnetic oxide), which is composed of three distinct divisions. Percy gives a number of analyses performed by Smith in his laboratory, which, expressed in formulae, are as follows: The outer layer is represented as Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>; the middle one by 3Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> + 10FeO or 3Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> + 7FeO; the inner by Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> + 5FeO. point of highest oxidation is in the middle. I have previously mentioned that magnetic oxide is a strong oxidizing agent, and it remains true to its character, and in time would entirely remove the carbon as CO and silicon as SiO<sub>2</sub> without the pig metal being in a state of fusion. However, owing to the rapid melting of the metal, these reactions are comparatively unimportant in the puddle process.

#### REACTIONS OF THE METAL IN A STATE OF FUSION.

The silicon contained is first oxidized to silica (SiO<sub>2</sub>), by the oxygen of the air and that contained in the magnetic oxide. The silica then unites with the proto-oxide of iron to form a bi-silicate. When all the silicon has been oxidized and united with the iron, then, and only then, a further oxidation of the iron takes place, and the all important normal silicate (Fe<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub>) is formed, viz., Fe SiO<sub>2</sub> + FeO = Fe<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub>. The bi-silicate is distinguished in its physical aspect by forming a thin liquid slag or cinder of a decidedly reddish hue; in its chemical relations, as forming the essential constituent of the German *Rohschlacke* (raw slag), which corresponds to the English ferric and acid slag. The action of the ferric slag is to prevent all decarburization of the metal, until the bi-silicate has been reduced to the lowest attainable point by the oxidation of the iron forming the normal silicate (Fe<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub>). Although the ferric slag belongs peculiarly to this period of the process, when first in a state of fusion, yet, strange as it may at first seem, the slag first formed is essentially a refining slag adapted to remove the carbon. This is owing to the presence of the magnetic oxide, formed by oxidation of the surfaces of the metals, while there has not been sufficient silicon oxidized to silica to form the bi-silicate. As the normal silicate does certainly exist at this period, it will not be out of place to compare its action with that of the bi-silicate. The normal or mono-silicate has no action in itself on the carbon, but simply is valued as a solvent of the magnetic oxide, which is rich in oxygen.

It is, indeed, true that the ferric oxide (Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) is richer in oxygen than the magnetic oxide, but not so useful as an oxidizing agent, owing to the greater fusibility of the latter. Ignoring for the present the numerous other constituents, which do not essentially interfere with the action of the silicate upon the magnetic oxide, we may regard the refining slag to be composed of the normal silicate, with more or less magnetic oxide.

It is not possible, though the fact is very greatly to be regretted, to decide upon the reaction between the silicate and the oxide with sufficient accuracy to reduce it to formula. No two authors agree on this point, and the best authorities seem compelled to acknowledge the reaction as simply a solvent of the oxide by the silicate. It, therefore, seems safer not to consider any chemical union between the compounds, but simply the Fe<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub> holding the Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> in a state of solution, as such. However, the magnetic oxide is considered to be reduced from Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> to its lowest point as an oxide, and, therefore, of the constitution of FeO. Now, supposing the dissolved Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> or FeO to be brought in contact with the carbon still held in the fused metal, we may express the reaction very simply as follows: Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> + 4C = 3Fe + 4CO (a gas), or FeO + 7C = 6Fe + 7CO. The iron sinks into the bath to be again oxidized, whilst the 4-7 CO's escape, and are eventually burnt to CO<sub>2</sub> (carbonic acid). The importance of this reaction has been frequently mentioned, and the slag is properly named the "refining slag," which seems to be a translation of the German "*garschlacke*." In chemical terms it is often described in English writings as a "ferrous and basic slag."

It is still a disputed point by what means the

silicon is oxidized, some claiming it to be due to the oxygen in the air, whilst others attribute it to that of the oxides in the slag. Mr. Wm. Siemens showed most conclusively, by experiments in his open hearth furnace, that the oxidation can take place without the aid of the atmosphere, but it is very doubtful if such is the case, as he claims, in the ordinary hand puddling process. His experiments on this subject have been so widely diffused in metallurgical writings that they are probably familiar to the reader, and do not need repetition here.

The reactions of the other constituents of the metal are comparatively unimportant. A small amount of sulphur may escape as sulphurous acid gas (SO<sub>2</sub>), owing to the high temperature produced by the oxidation of the silicon. The phosphorus may be partially oxidized and transferred into the slag, but is immediately reduced, and again enters the oven as a phosphide (Fe<sub>2</sub>P). Manganese goes into the slag and unites with the silica as a silicate of the proto-oxide of manganese, forming a slag, in which the magnetic oxide is insoluble. The graphite is changed into the combined state without loss in amount, as carbon is never removed except when in the combined state.

#### COOLING THE BATH AND PREPARING THE REFINING SLAG.

The most important object to be obtained in this period is the oxidation of the phosphorus, and transforming it into the slag, and, at the same time, to assist the chemical reaction in the reduction of the bi-silicate to the mono-silicate with the formation of a refining slag.

The last period left us with too much silica in the slag, giving it a reddish hue, and great fluidity, also too high a temperature for the removal of the phosphorus. The damper is now lowered all the way, coal put on the fire and the puddler takes a small iron scoop (like a trowel) and throws in through the working door scales from the finishing rolls which have been well saturated with water. The scales should be thrown where the tool is working, and, as much as possible, well over the entire bath. The amount of the scales, of course, depends upon the nature of the iron, and should the pig metal be so mixed as to form naturally a mono-silicate, more water must be used or too thick a slag will be formed. When the bath has become stiff, and the temperature greatly lowered by the cold scales added, nothing remains but to slowly work it and watch the character of the slag as it melts again and flows on the surface. If it is thick and gradually grows white it is of the proper character, which is confirmed by the bubbles of carbonic oxide which emit a small blue flame. The phosphide of iron has now taken oxygen from the slag and air, and is changed, probably (according to Percy) from Fe<sub>2</sub>P to 2FeO, PO<sub>2</sub>, floating on the surface of the slag in large black scales that must be removed as quickly as possible before the temperature is much increased.

The addition of the "finishing scales" is to supply the necessary magnetic oxide, and so save the time which would be lost if the slag were left to absorb the iron and oxygen without assistance.

English authors do not seem to have any one accepted term for this period, whilst the Germans always speak of it as the "raw refining" (*rohfrischen*), which we will adopt on this occasion. The transition from the raw refining to the refining or boiling period is very gradual, and not marked by any sharp distinctive features. This period terminates the decarburization in the puddling of steel, as the temperature is lowered and the balls hastily made up before the boiling fairly begins.

#### ACTION OF THE SLAG AND BOILING THE IRON.

Having already described the formation of the mono-silicate, with its action on the magnetic oxide, there remains little to be said under this heading. The heat is increased to practically its highest point, whilst the entire bath is raised by the efforts of the gas to escape, which allows the excess of the slag with its impurities to flow out of the working door. If it rises too high a bar is placed at the bottom of the door, so keeping it dammed in as it were. The flame should be kept of an oxidizing character, more on account of its greater heat than any influence of its own, which is comparatively trifling at this time.

The iron which first rises to the surface in this period is still so highly carburized as to be fusible at the high temperature, but soon wrought iron comes to the surface and remains, growing more completely decarburized.

Great care should be taken to work the bath thoroughly and uniformly, otherwise a large portion of the iron will be ready for "turning" before the rest, and must then be exposed to the oxidizing influence of the flame, which is very great, when the metal is unprotected by the slag. An improper mixture of the pig metal is very apt to produce this vexatious state of affairs, almost compelling the puddler to bring out "raw iron" in order to save that waiting to be "balled."

#### TURNING AND BALLING THE IRON.

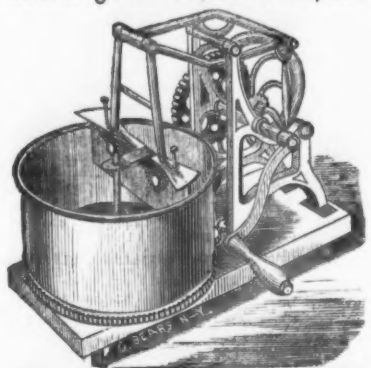
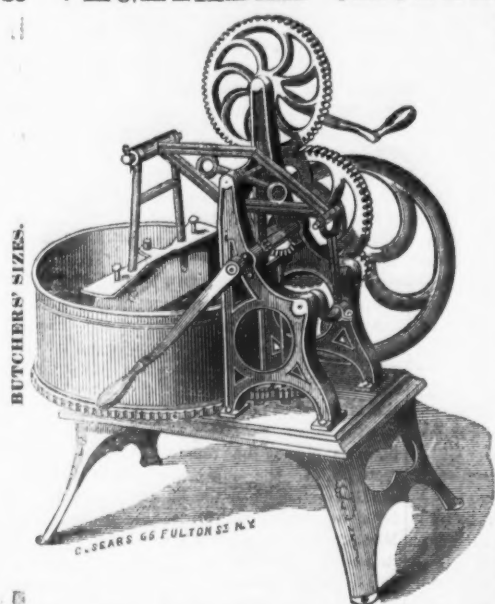
The greatest waste is probably during this period, and care must be taken not to allow the flame to become too hot and oxidizing. The wrought iron is now unprotected by the slag. Equal precaution must be taken that the heat is not too low, to raise the cold, black looking iron, which has been below, to the proper welding heat when "turning" on top. A careless or indifferent workman will be very apt to turn his iron before it is ready, by not waiting until all the evolutions of gas have ceased; in other words, removing from the bath of slag, and introducing into his balls, imperfectly decarburized iron. This iron, or steely iron, remaining in a half fused state, and possessing a different amount of carbon, will not weld with the rest of the bloom, and betrays itself under the squeezers and rolls in the usual way of larger or smaller gaps and cracks, with long tongues of blue flame. There is undoubtedly, a continued decarburization going on in the balls as long as they remain in the furnace, owing to the incorporated slag, and I have seen blooms which I knew contained raw iron much improved by being compelled to remain a few minutes shut up in the furnace, of course, causing some waste.

#### THE LABOR OF THE PUDDLER.

Puddling, undoubtedly, is a healthy occupation, as I know men who have followed it for many years, and yet show no evidence of ill health. I worked for some time with a man, who had been a puddler 40 years, and could yet do a large amount of labor, when he gave up his furnace. A certain amount of care is necessary to guard against taking cold, and self restraint when tempted to drink too much water. Owing to the good wages he receives, the puddler is able to live comfortably, and generally has good nourishing food. In closely built mills the heat is very severe, on hot summer days it often causing the men to faint; but this may be considered exceptional. A rather peculiar feature connected with the work is that mill men, especially puddlers, cannot bear any great heat of the sun, and the reverse is true, in the case of one of the men who, from a sunstroke, could not endure exposure to the sun, but suffered no inconvenience from the severest heat of the furnace. I heartily recommend "puddling" to all bilious and dyspeptic people, and guarantee good circulation of the blood, and plenty of perspiration to carry off many of "the ills that flesh is heir to."

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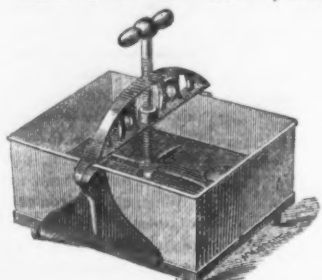
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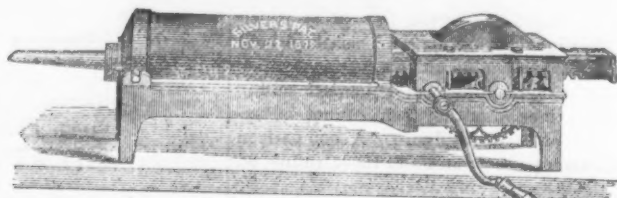
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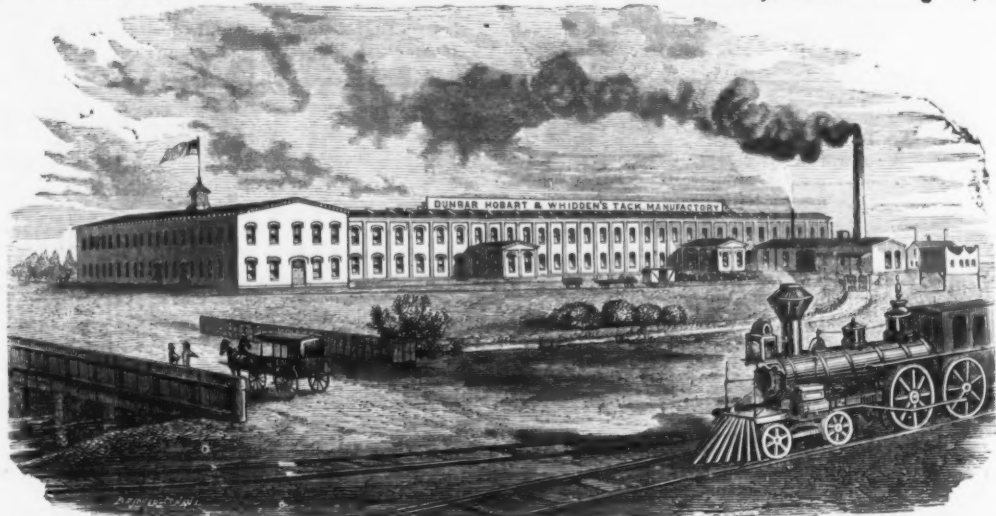
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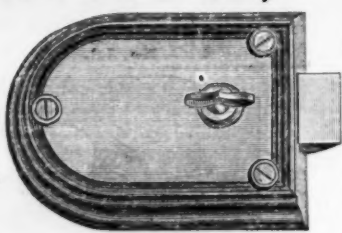
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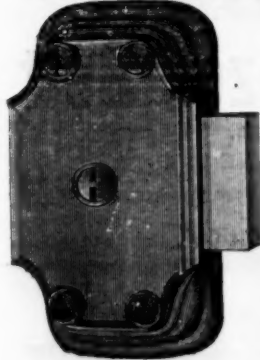
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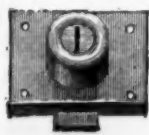
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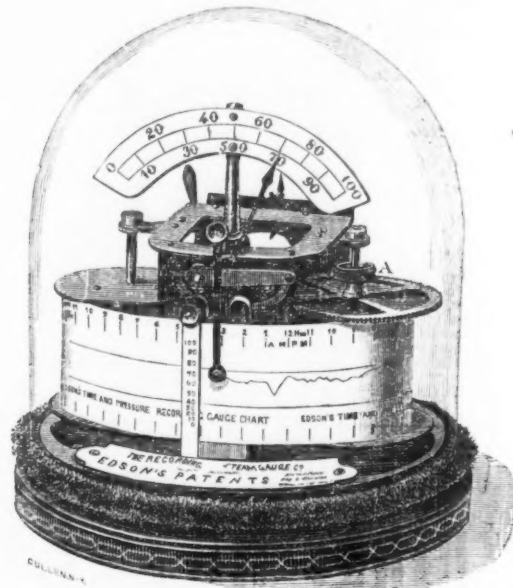
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little, cause, nothing new to speak about; the old story of dullness sickened us long ago, and where was the sense of repeating an unchanging story? At this writing, excepting in microscopical proportions there are any beneficial change noticeable in the iron industry. At no time in the past fifteen years have so few iron furnaces been in blast in the State of Missouri. Low water in the Ohio has embargoed exports of specular or rich red iron ores; a present rise in the Ohio gives a little hope for ore activity. Stocks of Missouri iron are still too large in producers' hand; strong men hold these irons, but the bottom in values is not known to be definitely reached; hence no motive exists for changing money from an active currency value, into iron that has no specific remunerative value, or a certain value that is above the hazard of costing more than it will sell for. With a slightly increased demand for both raw and finished iron at slightly declining prices, no change in this city can be noted.

The rolling mills of this city are generally employed. The Laclede is running its big mill on single turn on a good range of work; the little mill has been running single since the first of September, but goes on double after to-



lieved, and returns to its normal limit. The automatically registered chart, or log, which one of these gauges makes is a very interesting study, and a great deal of curious information is often obtained from them in reference to the performance of a boiler. For example, we have before us a log of a 24 hour run of a boiler in this city, the fires banked as usual at night. The record begins at 12 o'clock at noon, and continues till 12, noon, the day following. Soon after 12 the pressure begins to fall, and during the hour of intermission is about 20 pounds lower than at the time of shutting down. Just before 1 o'clock the pressure runs up to something like 10 pounds above the average pressure carried, caused, doubtless, by closing the furnace doors too soon. When the engine was started in the afternoon steam fell to 70 pounds, the regular pressure. During the afternoon the pressure was maintained pretty regularly until about 3, when there was a considerable fall, the firing having been neglected. It was then kept up quite regularly till 4:30, when the pressure ran down badly. At five it began to go up, and rose for half an hour when it fell slowly till 6, at which time the engineer banked his fires and the steam fell rapidly, but instead of going down to nearly nothing it only went to 55. At 8 p. m. it had got down to 42, where it stayed for about an hour, and then began to rise slowly, and at 3 in the morning was up to 60, where it remained, rising but slowly till 7 o'clock, when work began. Steam then ran up to 85 lbs., but fell again when the engine started. About once an hour during the forenoon steam fell from 10 to 20 lbs. below the proper average, and had to be brought up again by steady firing. This run was just about an average, the same faults in the management of the boiler occurring every day, the same excessive pressure at night and dangerous rise toward morning; this was, in some cases, very great, showing that the fire was not properly banked. Now these facts could have hardly been found out by the ordinary careful watchfulness of engineers, owners or firemen. The charts are taken from the instrument each day at noon, and another twenty-four hours record begins. The charts are taken by the engineer, and filed away for future reference.

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### The Business Situation in St. Louis.

Mines, Metals and Arts, of St. Louis, discusses the local aspects of business as follows: Few schemes of the speculative order are now being blown, not that speculators are fewer, but the subjects to operate upon are infrequent. Most mining operations that have been on a basis for legitimate work have suffered little damage, particularly the lead mining interests. Lead has steadily risen from 6 cents a pound 18 months ago, to 7 cents at this time. Copper, also, has been fairly elastic, even if down to 18 cents at one time during the panic; it is on a good level now as far as safety is concerned, with a hopeful future.

Of the iron interests of late we have said but

day. The plate and sheet iron of the Laclede has lately entered into a somewhat extended use. Rohan & Bros. got the contract for 27 large boilers for the Vulcan Bessemer Steel Works. Into these boilers, and all the sheet iron work attendant, Laclede plate and sheet have entered, and a better job never left a shop than these 27 boilers when started down to the works. The St. Louis Iron and Bolt Co.'s mill is running double steadily, with a liberal number of far orders on its books. The Vulcan's 40 lb. rail is going down on the Hot Springs Branch Railroad at a good rate. We are sorry to hear it intimated that this road may be delayed over winter in its entry into the Hot Springs Valley. This will be the best piece of light road for money making in the United States; the business is already made for it, both passenger and freight, and if the Iron Mountain and Southern and the Branch can deliver freight for less money over 64 miles of railroad, than the hundreds of teams hitherto employed can haul it from Little Rock, over 45 miles of the military road, they will get all the freight delivery for a vast territory, thereabouts, west and southwest. The other city mills are doing at least single turn work, both for order and store irons. The Great Bessemer machinery under construction with G. B. Allen & Co. for the Vulcan is going on to completion steadily. A lively interest is displayed in filling out some of the rich old mines of Old and New Mexico. Machinery outfits are making in the city at rates so favorable, that if the parties operating the mines have any gumption or skill at all, vast future advantages will accrue to St. Louis manufacturers; still we fear that some of these mining men do not know what they really need.

Lead is improving with the enhanced value of gold.

The Philadelphia Press says: There is a prospect of some trouble among the iron workers of Richmond and Kensington. The trade being dull and prices depreciated, it is contemplated by the masters next week to make a temporary reduction of wages. Many of the workmen threaten to strike, and say they will not submit, while others will silently accept the reduction. In most of the foundries the men have been on half or three-quarter time, and they say to submit now to a reduction on this time will render it impossible to sustain their families. The masters declare they must do it or shut down their works, for they would be losing money. A more sensible portion of the men see this and believe it better to have limited work than none at all, and will accept the situation. The want of unanimity may prevent a strike. The mill owners believe they can increase wages to the old standard after the first of the year.

Preliminary work in sinking a shaft on the French coast for the projected tunnel under the channel is announced. The depth of the shaft—328 feet—is more than half as great as the utmost that it is supposed the tunnel may require. The immediate object is probably to ascertain whether the formation at the requisite depth agrees with the theory of geologists. A similar shaft was sunk some time ago on the English side of the Channel. Before the tunnel itself is built, there will have to be some arrangement made to provide the many millions of pounds sterling required.



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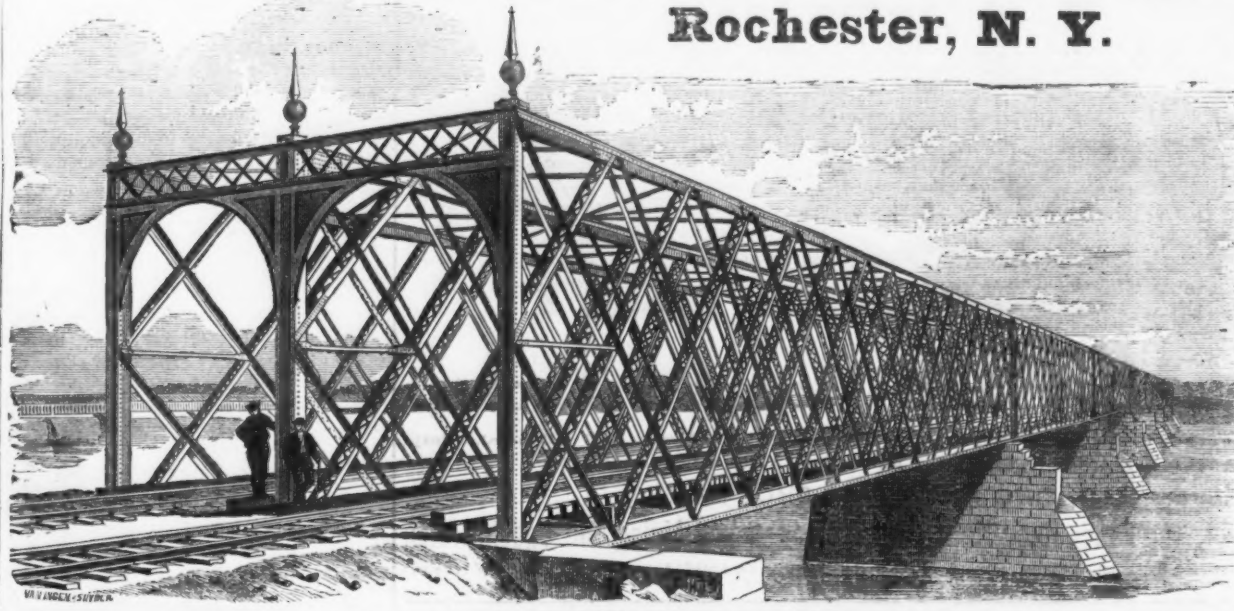
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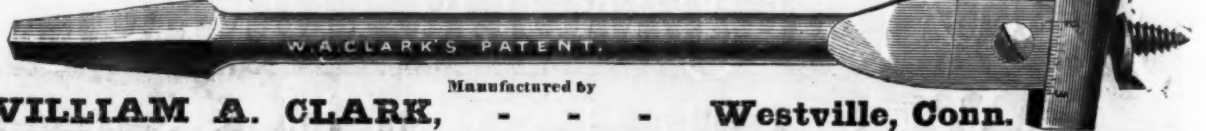
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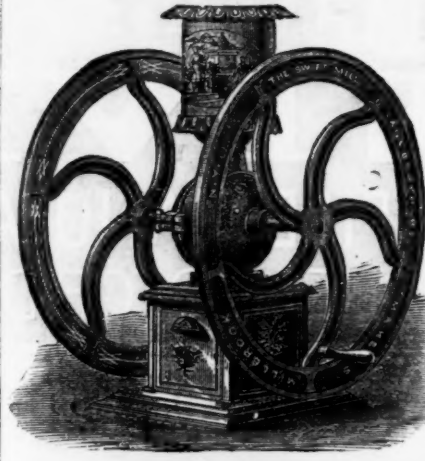
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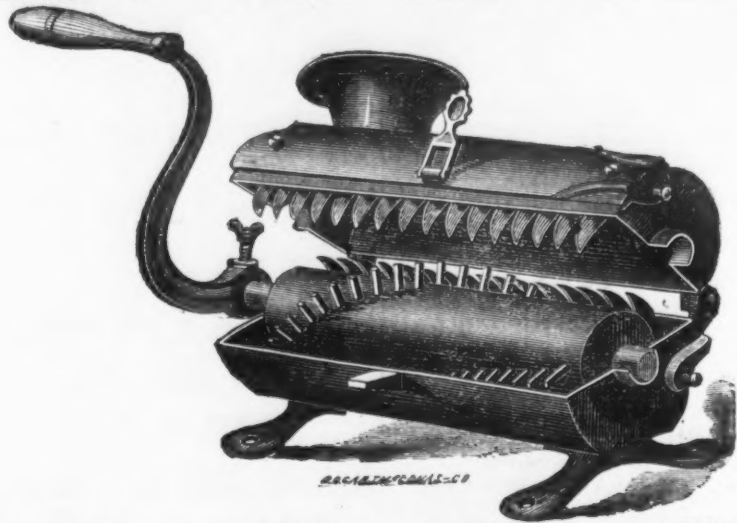
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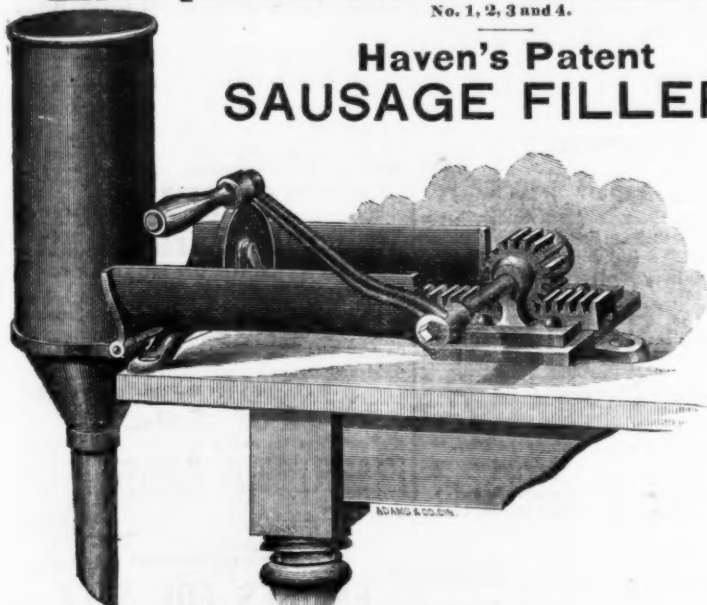
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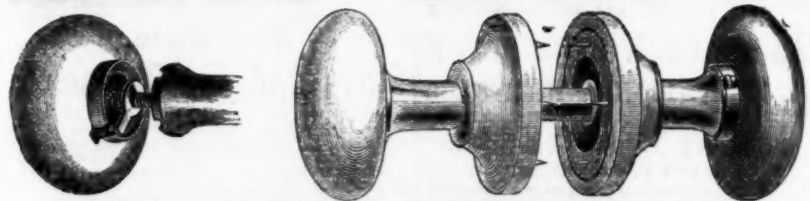
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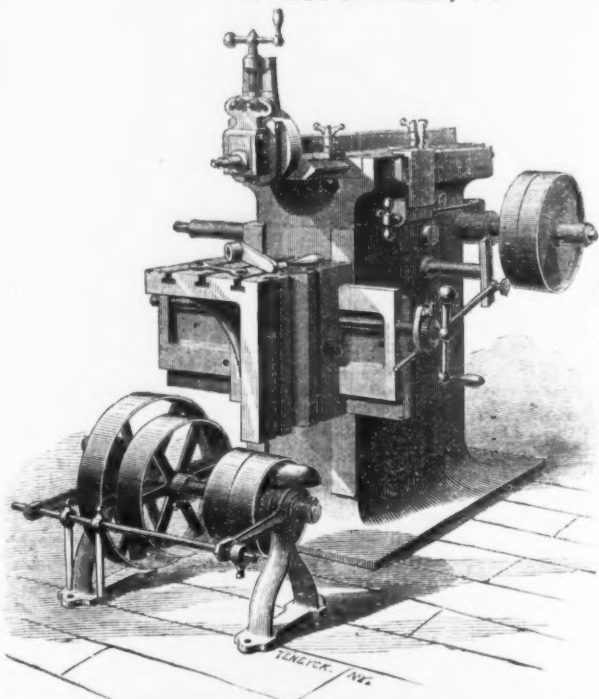
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### The Lucius W. Pond Forgeries.

A few days ago the business community was startled by the reception of news connecting the name of Hon. Lucius W. Pond, a well known manufacturer of machinery, at Worcester, Mass., with heavy defalcations and forgeries. The Worcester *Gazette*, of the 19th, gives the following particulars of the sad and surprising events, which culminated in a flight from justice, if not in suicide:

Rumors began to circulate last evening that Lucius W. Pond, whose mysterious disappearance has of late so much excited this community, had been guilty of more definite violation of the law than had before been charged upon him. This morning these reports increased and took a more definite shape. It was at last asserted openly that a large portion of the extraordinary amount of paper bearing Pond's name, which has been turning up unexpectedly in every quarter to the bewilderment of the indorsers, was forged. Our reporters have traced up these reports to their source, and are prepared to show what has been ascertained. It is of a character to leave little room for doubt that Mr. Pond has been guilty of this crime against the statutes, and to show that he had reason for either flight or suicide, beyond the immense indebtedness which it was found he had piled up by promiscuous borrowing and the exchange of "accommodation paper." The suspicion of forgery rose from the fact that Mr. Pond's indorsers found coming in on them notes to the amount of double what they supposed was in circulation—notes of which they had no record and no recollection of signing. Suspicion led to investigation and experiment, and detection followed. Certain of these notes were examined with the microscope and treated with a chemical preparation. It was found, beyond a doubt, that their face had been removed and rewritten, while the indorsements were genuine. The plan was evidently this: The original notes were made payable at Mr. Pond's office, or without naming any particular bank. It thus happened that when they were paid they remained in his possession without any marks of cancellation, or anything to show that they were dead paper. It was then a tolerably easy matter to remove the writing on the face with an acid, and write in fresh dates and amounts and add Mr. Pond's own signature. The indorsements on the back were allowed to remain. In some instances only the dates were changed. In others there was a palpable alteration of both dates, time and amounts. Out of five notes examined this morning, four of them when placed under the microscope showed plainly that they had been altered in this way. Nobody knows how much of Mr. Pond's indebtedness consists of the forged paper, but it is set as high as \$100,000 by interested parties. In all these cases the loss will fall, of course, on the money lenders who have been furnishing Mr. Pond with money all this time without detecting the fraud. The indorsers of Mr. Pond will be released from a corresponding amount, and naturally feel somewhat easier. This revelation will cause astonishment and consternation among Mr. Pond's old friends, who have preferred to believe the best of him, notwithstanding the peculiar character of many of the loans which it was discovered he had obtained. It will strengthen greatly the now prevalent belief that he is still alive, and may possibly lead to renewed efforts to discover his hiding place. Mr. Pond's family will have the sympathy of the community in this new form of their calamity.

**Death of William E. Morris.**—William E. Morris, one of the best known civil engineers in Pennsylvania, died suddenly at his residence, No. 1225 Spruce street, on Friday, 23d inst. He was apparently in his usual health during the day, but was stricken down by heart disease while sitting at the tea table. Mr. Morris has been prominently identified with many of the leading canal and railroad improvements of the country. He was for many years engaged as a civil engineer on the Pennsylvania canals, while they were under the control of the Canal Commissioners. He built the Spring Garden Water Works, and was engineer of the great reservoirs and other works near Hollidaysburg for supplying the main line of the Pennsylvania Canal with water. He was president and engineer of the Germantown and Norristown Railroad in its early days, and was afterward president of the Long Island Railroad, which position he held for several years, until he was elected vice president and acting president of the New York and Harlem Railroad. On resigning this position he lived in retirement for a number of years in Germantown. He built the water works at Doylestown and Bristol, and at the time of his death was erecting water works at Wilmington Del. He was a member of the Water Commission, appointed by the Mayor last June, and whose report concerning the present and future water supply of Philadelphia has been lately published.

The bark *Draco* is the oldest vessel in the United States. She was built at Duxbury by Reuben and Charles Drew in 1834, and now is over 51 years old. The *Draco* was built in the most thorough manner and of the best materials, and if no accident occurs, may live as long in the future as she has in the past. She is 251 tons register, double deck, originally a brig, but altered into a bark in 1834. She was first employed in the freighting business, then sold to P. & C. Flint & Co. for the South American trade; next she passed to Samuel J. Bridge, Joseph Knowles and E. Tucker Osborn for the Australian trade, and was finally sold to Mr. J. Bourne, Jr., of New Bedford, for a whaler, and has long been engaged in that business. The *Draco* was well known in Boston 40 years ago, and was a favorite vessel with all her owners, as she was almost always fortunate in making profitable voyages for them. In 1836 the *Draco*, in a voyage from Valparaiso to Swansea, Wales, loaded heavily with a cargo of copper ore, passed through the Straits of Magellan, the only vessel of any considerable size that ever made the passage before that time or since.



### The Weather Signal Service in Michigan.

The Marquette Mining Journal describes in characteristic style the operations of the signal bureau in the Northwest, as follows:

For illustration we will suppose that a storm strikes San Francisco, with the wind blowing directly from the westward; the velocity of the wind, with other particulars, are telegraphed by the sergeant in charge of the station directly to Washington. The Washington authorities, within 10 or 12 hours, report the storm to all stations which it is liable to reach (including, naturally enough, many stations which it never reaches at all). Now this is all very well for those places which the storm ultimately reaches, but there being no signal station west of San Francisco, a storm from that direction will always strike the Pacific coast not only without warning, but an interval of 12 to 15 hours invariably elapses before orders are received from Washington to hoist the signals—as the sergeant who first discovers the storm is never allowed to make signals without the mandate of Mr. Shoulder Straps at the national observatory. Shipping may go to the dogs, crops perish and other disasters result, because the sergeant is not, by the present red tape, circumlocutory style of management, allowed to make use of the knowledge he has gained and telegraph ahead at once in the prospective track of the tornado and anticipate its coming. There are also some minor drawbacks to the present system: If a storm is approaching from San Francisco, the sergeant at this station is ordered to hoist his signals, and if the storm passes hundreds of miles to the South of us, as is frequently the case, those vessels which have been awaiting its approach lose much valuable time—provided they rely implicitly upon the service—which we candidly believe they do not, in all cases. At this late season of the year, however, many captains would scarcely put to sea were they to be told by their cabin boy that a storm was approaching; and only last Tuesday morning a number of vessels at this port cleared after waiting between 24 and 48 hours each, for the approach of a gale, which the storm petrel warned them was menading this way—but which never menaded. The sergeant was probably aware of the utter foolishness of maintaining the signal, but like a dutiful soldier hung the banner on the outer wall—according to orders from Washington, you know. Now, then, let us consider the position of Marquette: There is not a signal station in all the great arc of N. N. W. to N. E. beyond us, and it is well known that the most furious storms which ever visit the lake region prevail from those directions. The result is, no warning can be obtained of what is coming from those points, and a destructive tornado, blowing at the rate of from 40 to 50 miles per hour, strikes us with all its force (and considerable astonishment) as we turn the corner of the street. Our sergeant does not raise his signal, but telegraphs to Washington. When his super-royal nibs, the Sublime Porte of the signal service, receives the intelligence, he coughs slightly, slowly removes his white kids, and, corrugating his brow, becomes lost in the profoundest scientific research—in his mind. By the time he has concluded his grave deliberations the storm has passed over Marquette, and is actively engaged in knocking the shingles out of Green Bay. Then he deliberately telegraphs our sergeant to hoist his storm petrel, and the sergeant, wishing to be respectful, "hoists away," and after going home to change his rubber overcoat for a linen duster, and his water-proof cap for a sunshade, and waiting a respectful length of time, telegraphs his superior, (?) "storm over and weather fair." In about six hours after he is enabled to do, by order from Washington, what a deaf and dumb idiot would have had sufficient sense to do (if permitted) twelve hours before—lower his signal.

It is the intention of the engineer to carry on the work during the winter months, using the ice, as soon as it forms of sufficient strength, as a means of conveying material into the lake. It is expected that the work can be completed in four years, and the estimated cost is one and three-quarter million dollars.

### Remarkable Antiquarian Discovery.

Professor James R. Gage, of Washington City, an eminent geologist and mineralogist, who has recently been engaged in making extensive explorations regarding the works of the ancient mound builders, reports the discovery of a very remarkable wall in Claiborne county, eighteen miles east of Port Gibson, Mississippi. The discovery has been incidentally mentioned in several papers within the course of a few days, but they do not appear to have realized a title of its antiquarian and archaeological interest and importance. We condense the particulars of the discovery from the Professor's statement in the Washington Republican. It appears that blocks of the stone have been taken by the farmers for building purposes for many years, and it has formed a general quarry for furnishing large blocks of stone. But the farmers have never, it seems, been aware of the antiquarian importance of this wall, which is claimed to be coeval with or anterior to that of Hadrian's famous wall in England. Professor Gage employed laborers and uncovered a portion of the wall twenty feet in width and a hundred and seventy-five feet in length; but on removing the soil here and there he traced it six hundred feet. The workmen uncovered the wall to a depth of six feet, but lower than this the excavations were not continued. Large forest trees of pine and oak, several hundred years old, are growing on top of the wall. The blocks are limestone and belong to the tertiary formation. They were hewn out of this formation and are three feet in length, twenty inches in width and twenty-two inches in thickness. One of these blocks has been shipped to Philadelphia for the Centennial. The wall from which it was taken forms two sides of a rectangle, one part running east and west and the other north and south. The excavations were made near the angle. Three miles due south from this point another portion of the wall reappears on the

banks of Bayou Pierce, owing to the washing out of the creek, making it a large exposure, and it is therefore judged that this is a continuation of the ancient wall. The wall was built on the side of a ridge overlooking a swamp which, in ancient times, was evidently the bed of a lake, and the inference is that the wall was erected by the ancient occupants as a barrier against an enemy, or possibly as an ancient levee or dyke erected for the protection of the inhabitants against the encroachments of the lake or the waters of the Mississippi. From other evidences of the wide extent of this wall, as described by Professor Gage, it appears that it included a large area of land, covering probably four hundred square miles, and extending to the Mississippi River. The locality where the wall exists is in the neighborhood of the Natchez Indians, who were found in a state of considerable civilization when first visited by the French, and these remains, it is conjectured by Professor Gage, had some connection with the occupation by the warlike ancestors of this interesting and famous tribe.—Pittsburgh Commercial.

### The Cleveland (Ohio) Breakwater.

Work upon the new breakwater at Cleveland, Ohio, will be begun within a few days on the shore end of the western portion of the works. Two parallel lines of piling will be driven from the shore, some 200 feet west of the old river bed, for a distance of 1000 feet into the lake, and at right angles to the shore; these piles will be driven as closely together as possible, the two lines being 12 feet apart. The piles will be driven to stand seven feet above the surface of the lake, fastened together by longitudinal timber bolted thereto, and the tops will be covered with heavy timbers, also bolted to the piling, making passage way 15 feet wide. Beyond the piling, extended 1400 feet further into the lake, and from thence in a northeasterly direction for 4800 hundred feet, the extreme end being 300 feet in a direct line from the head of the west pier, a series of cribs will be sunk. These cribs are to be 50 feet long by 22 wide, sufficiently high to allow of their being sunk to the bottom of the lake and extending seven feet above the surface. They will be built on shore, of heavy timbers bolted and held by iron rods, then floated to their proper place, filled with broken stone and sunk as closely together as possible, after which heavy stone will be sunk on either side, to aid in holding them in place; the top of the cribs will be covered with timbers in a manner similar to that on the piles. The wall will be continuous from the shore to its extreme outer end, the only opening being the space, 300 feet in width, between the end of the west pier and the end of the breakwater.

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It is stated that the beautiful Roman tower which terminated the aqueduct of Quintus Sertorius, in Portugal, has lately been demolished by order of the Municipal Chamber, in order to make a market on the site. This tower contained the conduits, and was an edifice of brick, stone and plaster, and belonged to the period about 75 B. C. It was considered well preserved, and was pronounced by Murphy, who gives a design of it in his book of travels, to be one of the most beautiful relics of Roman architecture in the world. As yet there has been no explanation vouchsafed by the authorities. So let Murray, Bradshaw, Baedeker and others strike out the Tower of Sertorius, one of the glories of Evora, from the list of the sights of Portuguese travel. It may be worth while to remark, that until some few years back the beautiful temple of Diana, in the same locality, was used as a slaughter house. It is now, however, cleansed and properly protected.

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# Trade Report.

Office of The Iron Age.  
WEDNESDAY EVENING, Oct. 27, 1875.  
The past week has been one of great excitement in the financial markets, and prices have fluctuated through a wider range than for many weeks past. The money market has gained considerable firmness, and borrowers on call have paid 5 @ 6 per cent. On prime business paper the discount rate is still 6 @ 7 per cent. The aggregate averages of the national banks compare as follows for the past two weeks:

	Oct. 16.	Oct. 23.	Differences.
Loans.....	\$284,529,700	\$280,584,700	Dec. \$3,945,000
Specie.....	6,389,300	6,406,500	Inc. 17,200
Legal tenders.....	56,495,400	54,702,000	Dec. 1,793,400
Deposits.....	228,698,800	225,171,700	Dec. 3,527,100
Circulation.....	17,812,800	17,816,300	Inc. 3,500

In the gold market there has been an increase in the supply of cash coin, in consequence of which the premium has tended steadily downward. On Thursday the Treasury sold \$1,000,000 at 115-94 @ 116-03. The following table shows the daily range of the premium:

	Highest.	Lowest.
Thursday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Friday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Saturday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Sunday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Monday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Tuesday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Wednesday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2

The market for government bonds is strong and steady, and prices have moved in close sympathy with gold. Railroad mortgages are generally strong, but investment securities are mostly without feature of general interest. We give the closing quotations of government bonds:

	Highest.	Lowest.
Thursday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Friday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Saturday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Sunday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Monday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Tuesday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2
Wednesday.....	116-1/2	115-1/2

The following tables show the movements in foreign trade for the week:

	1873.	1874.	1875.
Total for week.....	\$5,830,093	\$4,790,918	\$3,576,053
Prev. reported.....	\$28,115,280	\$22,651,381	\$27,841,564
Since Jan. 1.....	\$333,943,923	\$327,115,449	\$276,717,650

Among the imports of general merchandise were articles valued as follows:

	Quant.	Value.
Brass goods.....	11	\$1,478
Bronzes.....	36	9,688
Chains and anchors.....	9	963
Copper.....	479	2,989
Cutlery.....	71	16,501
Guns.....	63	9,027
Hardware.....	77	5,907
Iron, pig, tons.....	151	2,989
Iron, sheet, tons.....	191	39,938
Iron, cotton ties.....	1,428	2,698
Iron tubes.....	8	302
Iron, other, tons.....	155	11,188
Lead, pigs.....	3,191	19,739
Metal goods.....	101	19,507
Needles.....	2	307
Old metal.....	9	5,941
Plating.....	3,821	3,821
Per. caps.....	8	2,797
Saddlery.....	6	1,516
Steel.....	1,409	22,568
Tin, boxes.....	6,626	38,498
Tin, 700 slabs.....	7,458	7,458
Wire.....	380	9,430
Zinc.....	179,147	11,308

EXPORTS OF SPECIE.

	1873.	1874.	1875.
Total for week.....	\$608,314	\$608,314	\$608,314
Previously reported.....	10,227,296	10,227,296	10,227,296
Total since January 1, 1875.....	\$10,835,610	\$10,835,610	\$10,835,610

The statistics of imports and exports for the nine months ended with September compare as follows with those of the three preceding years, specie not being included in the comparison:

	1873.	1874.	1875.
Imports.....	\$398,308,555	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400
Exports.....	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400

The exports of September also show a falling off as compared with last year. The shipments of domestic and foreign goods during the month amount to \$34,700,742, chiefly in paper values, against \$37,370,286 for the same period of 1874. The merchandise exports for the nine months compare as follows with those for the same period of the last three years, the domestic goods being stated in paper values, except the small part that goes out of Pacific ports, and the foreign in gold value:

	1873.	1874.	1875.
Imports.....	\$398,308,555	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400
Exports.....	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400

The specie movement has been as follows:

	1873.	1874.	1875.
Imports.....	\$16,411,883	\$16,411,883	\$16,411,883
Exports.....	\$16,411,883	\$16,411,883	\$16,411,883

To compare evenly the gross imports, specie included, with the gross exports, also including specie, it is necessary to have the domestic portion of the exports reduced to gold value; this reduction is made by the Bureau of Statistics, and enables us to make the following comparison:

	1873.	1874.	1875.
Imports.....	\$398,308,555	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400
Exports.....	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400	\$442,226,400

These figures show the shrinkage in our foreign trade during the expired part of the second year succeeding the great panic. Domestic trade during the past season has shown a marked recovery, and there is reason to believe that the point of greatest depression in the foreign trade has been reached.

Government bonds at the close were quoted as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. Currency 6's.....	123 1/2	123 1/2
U. S. 6's 1881, reg.....	123 1/2	123 1/2
U. S. 6's 1881, con.....	123 1/2	123 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1882, reg.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1882, con.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1884, reg.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1884, con.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1885, reg.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1885, con.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1886, reg.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1886, con.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1887, reg.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1887, con.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1888, reg.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5-20 1888, con.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 10-40 reg.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 10-40 con.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5's 1881, reg.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
U. S. 5's 1881, con.....	115 1/2	115 1/2
Central Pacific gold bonds.....	104 1/2	105 1/2

The latest sales and closing quotations were as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
Atlantic & Pacific Preferred.....	4 1/2	4 1/2
Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph.....	37 1/2	37 1/2
Chicago & Northwestern.....	37 1/2	37 1/2
Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific.....	103 1/2	103 1/2
Chicago, Bar. & Quincy.....	111 1/2	111 1/2
Col. Chic. & Ind. Cent.....	4 1/2	4 1/2
Clev. Col. Cin. & Ind.....	51 1/2	51 1/2
Chicago & Alton.....	94 1/2	94 1/2
Consolidated Coal.....	46 1/2	46 1/2
Canton.....	38 1/2	38 1/2
Del. Lack. and Western.....	118 1/2	118 1/2
Delaware & Hudson Canal.....	120 1/2	120 1/2
Adams Express.....	101 1/2	101 1/2
American Express.....	57 1/2	57 1/2
United States Express.....	44 1/2	44 1/2
Wells, Fargo & Co. Express.....	78 1/2	78 1/2
Eric.....	18 1/2	18 1/2
Harlem.....	131 1/2	131 1/2
Hambam & St. Joseph.....	19 1/2	19 1/2
Illinois Central.....	94 1/2	94 1/2
Kansas Pacific.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
Lake Shore.....	62 1/2	62 1/2
Michigan Central.....	68 1/2	68 1/2
Milwaukee & St. Paul.....	34 1/2	34 1/2
New York Central.....	104 1/2	104 1/2
New Jersey Central.....	106 1/2	106 1/2
Ohio & Mississippi.....	16 1/2	16 1/2
Pacific Mail.....	40 1/2	40 1/2
Panama.....	130 1/2	130 1/2
Pacific of Missouri.....	8 1/2	8 1/2
Quicksilver.....	22 1/2	22 1/2
Tol. Wabash & Western.....	5 1/2	5 1/2
Union Pacific.....	65 1/2	65 1/2
Western Union Telegraph (ex'd.).....	76 1/2	76 1/2

## GENERAL HARDWARE.

Trade continues in much the same condition noticed last week. There are few buyers in town, and prices are without quotable change. In Foreign Hardware there is little or no animation, and the prices of staple goods are unchanged. We are informed that, owing to strikes among the workmen, the manufacturers of Peter Wright's Vices have advanced these goods 5 per cent. They are quoted in this market at 15 1/2 @ 16 cents, gold.

The demand for Nails is not large for this season, and although a very low figure has been reached, no inclination to anticipate future requirements has manifested itself. We quote 10d., in lots of 200 kegs and over, \$3, net. For smaller orders \$3-10 @ \$3-15 is a fair quotation.

Geo. Selsor & Co., Philadelphia, have issued the following price list for their Patent Box Coffee Mills. This list is subject to discount 25 @ 30 per cent.:

	Per doz.
No. 40, Dove-tailed, varnished Poplar Box, Iron Hopper, Model Friction Mill.....	\$9-50
No. 50, Dove-tailed, varnished, Poplar Box, Britania Hopper, Model Friction Mill.....	10-50
No. 75, Large, dove-tailed, varnished, Poplar Box, Iron Hopper, Treble Anti-Friction Mill.....	12-50
No. 80, Large, dove-tailed, varnished, Poplar Box, Britania Hopper, Treble Anti-Friction Mill.....	13-50
No. 85, Large, dove-tailed, varnished, Ash Box, Britania Hopper, Treble Anti-Friction Mill.....	15-00
No. 95, Large, dove-tailed, varnished, Ash Box, large burnished red Metal Hopper, porcelain knob, plated base, extra finished throughout.....	25-00

NOTE.—On Nos. 40 and 50, the size of top of box is 7 1/2 inches square. On Nos. 75, 80, 85 and 95, the top of box is 7 1/2 inches square.

Fernald & S. No. 100 Chambers street, have added to their specialties "Parmelee's Patent Expansion Auger Bit" which is an entirely new article in this market. It is simple in its construction, well finished and possesses some novel features which should commend it to the notice of the trade. We take the following from their circular regarding this tool:

The single cutter in the above Bit cuts a hole any size from 1/2 inch to 1 1/2 inches, thus doing away with an extra cutter, which is always liable to be lost. The difficulty of the cutters slipping is obviated by the two set screws. When not in use the cutter can be pushed in flush with the stem of the Bit, making it less liable to injury and taking no more room than a common 1/2 inch bit. It is strongly made of the best English cast steel. It will bore rapidly and in any wood that other expansion bits are used. Extra cutters can be furnished at a small expense.

These goods were patented Sept. 22, 1874. The No. 1 Bit, which will cut a hole from half to 1 1/2 inches, lists at \$20 per dozen, less discount 25 per cent.

We invite the attention of our readers to the advertisement of J. Clark Wilson & Co., on page 34, in which they illustrate the Northampton Skate Co.'s "Sheffield Steel Club Skates." The manufacturers claim for these goods that, being made all in one piece, without any rivets, they are more durable than the ordinary styles. In the common Skate the straps pass entirely under the Skate, and are prevented from sliding by a pin. Their Club Skate, they claim, is the cheapest Skate of its kind in the market; it is self-adjusting, without straps or buckles, and like the Strap Skate, is made in one piece. The Strapped Skates are placed on the market at \$12 per dozen, list; the Club Skate at \$16 per dozen, and both are subject to discount 25 per cent. J. Clark Wilson & Co. will supply these goods from stock.

Abraham Bussing, Secretary of the Ausable Horse Nail Company, quotes Sweets Manufacturing Co. Steel Toe Calks at 13 cents per pound, less discount 10 per cent.; for large orders a more liberal discount will be allowed. He informs us that these Toe Calks are selling better than any similar goods previously handled by them. They are all warranted to be as good as a blacksmith can make from Toe Calk steel.

We have received the following communication:

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25, 1875.  
Editor of The Iron Age—DEAR SIR: The Hardware committee appointed to solicit subscriptions to the Centennial stock from the Hardware trade doing business direct or through agencies in New York city, give for the benefit of the trade the result thus far. A number of other houses have the matter under consideration, from whom we hope to hear favorably, and will report to your paper when received.

The committee would be pleased to receive subscriptions from the trade throughout the country, and for subscriptions received stock will be sent, and will also be shown as a credit from the particular parties reside.

CHARLES J. FIELD,  
WILLIAM J. LLOYD, Committee.  
CHARLES M. GIBBSKEY.

Name.	No. of shares.	Amount.
J. Clarke Wilson & Co., 81 Beekman st., N. Y.....	100	\$1,000
P. & F. Corbin, 85 Chambers st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
Meriden Cutlery Co., 49 Chambers st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
John Russell Cutlery Co., 77 Chambers st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
The Hart, Bliven & Mead Mfg. Co., 243 Pearl st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
Lambson & Goodnow Mfg. Co., 88 Chambers st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
Peck, Stowe & Wilcox Co., 43 Chambers st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
John G. Witte & Bro., 75 Chambers st., N. Y.....	25	250
Hopkins & Dickinson Mfg. Co., 69 Duane st., N. Y.....	25	250
Lau & Garlich, 72 Beekman st., N. Y.....	25	250
Edward Miller & Co., 4 Warren st., N. Y.....	50	500
Burpee Durie & Co., 97 Chambers st., N. Y.....	25	250
Hermann Boker & Co., 101 Duane st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
Louderback, Gilbert & Co., 53 Chambers st., N. Y.....	25	250
Howard Sangr & Co., 105 Chambers st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
Ausable Horse Nail Co., 35 Chambers st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
Meriden Britannia Co., 550 Broadway, N. Y. (Additional subscriptions making 100 shares).....	75	750
Graham & Haines, 88 Chambers st., N. Y.....	25	250
Wallace & Sons, 89 Chambers st., N. Y.....	100	1,000
Chas. Parker, Meriden, Conn.....	100	1,000
Alfred Field & Co., 93 Chambers st., N. Y.....	25	250
	1,500	\$15,000

The annual convention of the Western Hardware Association, brief mention of which was made in our last issue, closed its session at the Grand Hotel, Cincinnati, on Thursday last. Of the business transacted at this meeting, nothing is made public, none but members being admitted. On Wednesday last the Association were the guests of the hardware trade of Cincinnati, who treated their visitors to a delightful ride through the suburbs, visiting many points of interest. In the evening, the Association was entertained at a banquet by the following manufacturers, who were present, or were represented at the entertainment:

Nicholson File Co.; Bellefonte Works; Hotchkiss Sons; Henry Diston & Sons; Norwalk Lock Co.; E. Yates & Co.; Bridgeport Brass Co.; Frazer, Bell & Loughran; Fernald & Sise; Lewis, Oliver & Phillips; Charles Parker; Peck, Stowe & Wilcox Co.; Parker & Whipple; Norton Iron Works; John Russell Cutlery Co.; Wheeling Hinge Co.; J. L. Haven & Co.; Wiebusch & Hilger Hardware Co.; S. Loring; Wallace & Son; Douglas Axe Co.; Landers, Frary & Clark; Lalanc & Grosjean Mfg. Co.; Brown Brothers; Graham & Haines; P. & F. Corbin; A. Field & Co.; Woodruff & McParlin; L. M. Dayton; Perin, Gaff & Co.

The first toast of the evening, "The Western Hardware Association," was responded to by John Nazro, of Milwaukee, who, in the course of his remarks, paid a handsome tribute to the uniform integrity and fair dealing that characterized the manufacturers of America, and expressed his hearty sympathy in favor of protection to home industry. The toast, "The Hardware Board of Cincinnati," was responded to by W. A. McCall. "The Hardware Manufacturers of the West," by Col. L. M. Dayton, of Cincinnati, and "The Hardware Manufacturers of the East," by S. A. Haines, of New York. After the regular toasts were disposed of, the usual after dinner speeches were in order. Hamilton Diston, of Philadelphia, being called upon for a song, responded with "Let Us Help One Another."

The melody, which was very beautiful and excellently rendered, was received with great applause. Vincent C. Bradbury, of Cincinnati, favored the company with a well executed flute solo, and after a few hours pleasantly spent, the festivities closed about 12 o'clock. The next annual meeting of the Association will be held in St. Louis. Before the close of the banquet the manufacturers extended to the Western Hardware Association an invitation to another banquet, to be given in St. Louis during the time of their session a year hence. Mr. Nazro, on behalf of the Association, gracefully accepted the invitation.

## BRITISH IRON MARKET.

(Specially reported by cable for The Iron Age.)

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 27, 1875.  
Scotch Pig.—A large business has been done under a steady demand, and prices are firmer. The following are makers' quotations: Gartsherrie No. 1..... 78/ Carthorse No. 1..... 77/ Glengarnock No. 1..... 69/ Glengarnock No. 1..... 63/ Manufactured Iron and Rails are without change to note.

## IRON.

American Pig.—Since our last the Thomas Iron Company have reduced the price of No. 1 Foundry Iron to \$24 and No. 2 Foundry to \$22, which prices are now general. One or two companies, however, adhere to previous prices. Some holders of large stocks and makers of brands not well known are offering No. 1 Foundry at less than \$24, and we note the sale of 100 tons North River Iron at \$23. The near approach of the close of navigation fails to affect the market beyond slightly increasing the demand, and the usually restricted demand during the winter prevents any hope of an improvement for some time.

The following table shows the state of production in the Lehigh region:

	Furnaces in Blast.	Furnaces out of Blast.	Total.
Carbon.....	1	2	3
Lehigh Valley.....	1	2	3
Thomas.....	3	5	8
Crane.....	3	5	8
Alentown.....	3	5	8
Lehigh Iron Co.....	3	5	8
Roberts.....	1	2	3
Saucon.....	1	2	3
North Penn.....	1	2	3
Chlor.....	1	2	3
Glendon.....	1	2	3
Andover.....	1	2	3
	15	26	41

We note the sale of 100 tons Crane No. 1 Foundry at \$25, less 4 per cent.; about 1000 tons Thomas No. 1 Foundry at \$24; 200 tons Thomas No. 2 Foundry at \$22. A telegram from Montreal reports the suspension, yesterday, of the Molise Iron Company, with large liabilities. The Morris Run Coal Company, of Pennsylvania, have filed a claim against the company for over \$350,000. This company has for a long time been embarrassed, and their suspension occasions little surprise.

Scotch Pig.—The market is firm and steady, being in few hands and well controlled. We note sales of 100 tons Summerlee, at \$31-50; 25 tons Coltness, at \$33; a few small lots of Eglington, at \$29-50 @ \$30. We quote: Coltness, \$33; Glengarnock, \$32; Gartsherrie, \$32-50; Eglington, \$29-50 @ \$30.

Bar.—We quote Refined, at Eastern mills, 2-4c. @ 2-5c. per lb. The Catasauqua Manufacturing Company have made an arrangement with their creditors to pay them in bonds at 7 per cent., running a number of years.

Rails.—We hear of some inquiry, but can report no sales. Prices may be quoted \$45 @ \$50, at mill.

Old Rails.—We note the sale of 600 tons on private terms, and 1000 tons at \$26, which we quote as the market price.

Scrap.—The market is firm. We quote: \$31 @ \$32. We note the sale of 1000 tons Old Car Wheels at \$30, 4 months.

## METALS.

Copper.—There have been sold to manufacturers during the week 400,000 pounds Lake Superior Copper, on the spot, at 23c. @ 23 1/2c., and 600,000 pounds ditto "futures" at 23c., part November delivery, and part December and January. The market is sluggish, but unchanged at 23c. @ 23 1/2c. for Lake, and 23c. for Baltimore. Not the least speculative feeling is noticeable; we doubt that it would show itself even if Lake were obtainable below 23c. London was unaltered on Saturday at £83 for Chili Bars, and £90 Best Selected. We take the following passage from the Houghton Mining Gazette, of Lake Superior: "The product of the Calumet and Hecla mine for the current month of October will probably reach 1200 tons, the largest amount of Copper ever before mined in any one month by this company. The north shaft is now down 700 feet, and at that depth the lode is charged with considerable heavy Copper." One of the most reliable statisticians



Denmark.....	482,323	396,537	543,569	823,020
Germany.....	1,544,529	1,258,436	1,634,544	970,135
Holland.....	333,322	304,322	340,849	231,866



France.....	1,731,301	1,415,417	2,001,314	1,329,523
Spain and Can-				
aries.....	438,927	438,724	507,114	406,404
Italy.....	657,446	601,554	713,505	513,431
Turkey.....	267,187	244,935	198,969	142,743
Egypt.....	321,621	438,616	353,734	277,139
Brazil.....	127,189	238,300	292,315	317,891
Malta.....	337,021	227,471	153,929	118,307
British India..	447,403	416,769	400,519	310,016
Other Coun-				
tries.....	1,975,305	1,339,656	2,031,033	1,488,573
Total.....	10,310,570	9,186,634	10,730,799	7,339,071

ISCELANEUS.

Quantities. Values.

1874. 1875. 1874. £. 1875. £.

Fire arms (small)..... 280,610 457,636

Brass, manu- 82,584 68,890 537,916 371,835

factures of, not heavy ordn'ce, cwt. Carriages.

Railway car- 399 439 117,863 111,069

riages for passenger.

Railway trucks, wagons, &c., number..... 1,997 3,137 162,630 246,637

Coal, &c., tons, 9,310,570 10,730,799 9,186,634 7,339,071

Copper, unw- 166,901 161,010 733,415 710,902

worked, cwt. Copper, wrought, 161,439 173,667 802,761 870,050

Mixed yellow silver, &c., cwt., 211,548 208,339 859,663 818,379

Lead—Pig roll'd, &c., (tons)..... 90,802 27,659 680,479 637,570

Machinery..... 2,360,308 2,028,970

Steam engines..... 4,909,160 4,930,129

Other sorts..... 181,283 192,315

Plate and pl'd & alt. wares..... 1,718,482 805,464

Teleph wires and apparatus connect'd therewith..... 123,917 85,113 660,686 396,514

Tin (unwrought)..... 123,917 85,113 660,686 396,514

THE FUTURE.

The Economist, in reviewing the figures just

given, takes a rather hopeful view of the situa-

tion, and thinks that as the decrease of the ex-

ports for the month is only 7.5 per cent. for the

month and 6.4 per cent. for the nine months, it

does not show that the foreign trade is worse

than it has lately been. The fact of the de-

crease the Economist thinks is unsatisfactory

enough, because this is now the third year of

depression in values and the fourth in quan-

tities; but it is of opinion that the actual extent

of the depression should not be exaggerated.

In detail, the main facts to be noted are

that the articles which show an increase are

iron, coal and steel, although it may be re-

marked by myself, that it is in these articles

that the reduction in values is the most con-

spicuous. In iron and steel the increase in

quantity is 4 per cent. and the decline in value

16 per cent., much of the latter, in the opinion

of the writer in the Economist, being due to the

substitution of less valuable for more costly

constituents of the total exports. Upon these

premises the writer builds up the hope of "bet-

ter things to come" with some reason, as his

arguments are the outcome of a careful analy-

sis.

THE COST OF CABLES.

appears to be as subject to frequent changes

as the satellites of this terrestrial sphere. As soon

as the Direct Cable Company commenced their

operations, the Anglo-American Company lower-

ed its charge to 1/10 per word, at which tariff

it did a good and remunerative business. As

soon, however, as the "Direct" cable broke, the

monopoly was promptly resumed, and the

old prohibitive rate of 4/10 again became law, as

it now is and appears likely to remain. At 4/

per word the number of messages sent over the

cable is so few that it is stated that the wires

are only occupied for 4 hours daily out of the

24. Monopoly is a great power whilst it endures,

but it is extremely provocative of opposition as

a rule, and ultimately destroys itself.

THE SCOTCH PIG IRON MARKET.

is again weak, the speculative bolstering up

operations, alluded to in my last week's letter,

having collapsed somewhat ignominiously as

the settling day approached. As soon as the

settlement was fairly got at, warrent prices came

down, and by the end of the week they were

selling at 62/6 per ton for cash. The week's

shipments were 10,870 tons, or about 700 tons

less than during the corresponding week of

1874. Over 7800 tons were sent into Connal's

stores during the six days, making the total

quantity held on October 8th 73,529 tons. Last

year at this time there were 117. Freight to

your ports are now Glasgow to New York 2/6;

Ardrossan to New York, 5/; Glasgow to Bos-

ton, 14/; Ardrossan to Boston, 14/; Glasgow

to New Orleans, 5/; Ardrossan to New Orleans,

6/; Glasgow or Ardrossan to Baltimore, 8/;

to Philadelphia, 10/; and Providence, 14/.

Writing from Glasgow on Oct. 8 (night), Messrs.

James Watson & Co. said: "The price of

warrants has rapidly declined this week from

67 3/4 to 62/6, cash, closing sellers at the latter

figure. Shipments last week were 10,870 tons,

against 11,562 tons in the corresponding week

of 1874."

G. M. B., at Glasgow..... No. 1. No. 3.

Gartsherrie..... 62/ 63/6

Coltness..... 75/ 66/

Summerlee..... 79/ 66/6

Langloan..... 69/ 65/6

Carbroe..... 68/ 65/

Clyde..... 76/ 67/

Calder, at Port Dundas..... 76/ 65/6

Glenarnock, at Ardrossan..... 69/ 66/

Eglington..... 66/ 65/6

Dalmellington..... 76/ 67/

Shotts, at Leith..... 66/ 65/6

Kinnell, at Boness..... 66/ 65/6

Messrs. Wm. Colvin & Co. (Glasgow), Oct.

12th, write: "The warrant market became

very weak on Wednesday and Thursday last,

and the price fell rapidly to 62/6, cash. Since

then an extensive business has been done,

without much change in value, the quotations

being from 61/6 to 63/6. To-day a large

quantity of iron was selected, from 62/6 to

61/6, closing this afternoon with buyers at 61/6,

cash, and sellers at 61/9; for delivery, one

month open, the price is about 3d. per ton

higher. There has been a general reduction

in the prices of makers' iron, and they are still

somewhat irregular, as under:

Deliverable alongside.

No. 1. No. 3.

Gartsherrie..... 73/6 65/

Coltness..... 78/ 66/6

Summerlee..... 67/6 65/

Langloan..... 77/ 65/

Carbroe..... 68/ 65/

Clyde..... 68/ 65/

Goven, at Broomielaw..... 65/ 62/

Clyde, at Port Dundas..... 76/ 67/

Glenarnock, at Ardrossan..... 69/ 66/

Eglington..... 64/6 63/6

Dalmellington..... 65/ 64/

Carroon, at Grangemouth..... 67/6 65/

Carroon, at special..... 67/6 65/

Shotts, at Leith..... 76/ 67/

Kinnell, at Boness..... 65/ 62/

Bar Iron..... 28/ 0/ to 28/ 10/

Nail Rods..... 29/ 0/

SHIPMENTS.

Tons.

Week ending Oct. 9, 1875..... 11,746

Oct. 10, 1874..... 10,307

Increase..... 1,439

Total Increase..... 89,099

Messrs. John E. Swan & Brother's (Limited),

prices current, Oct. 8th, says:

Glasgow Brands.	Prices.
Gartsherrie.....	11 3 16 75/ 65/6
Coltness.....	12 0 12 78/6 67/
Summerlee.....	6 1 8 67/6 64/
Langloan.....	7 0 3 77/ 66/ 65/
Goven.....	1 0 5 65/ 63/ 62/
Calder.....	1 0 7 75/ 65/ 68/
Shotts (Bessmer).....	2 0 2 80/
Ordinary.....	3 1 4 77/ 64/
Carbroe.....	4 2 6 67/6 64/ 65/
Wishaw.....	2 0 3 75/ 65/ 68/
Monkland.....	6 0 6 65/ 63/
Chapellhall.....	3 0 3 70/
Clyde.....	5 0 6 69/ 63/6
Quarter-Clyde.....	4 0 4 65/ 63/

\* f. o. b. Glasgow, 1/ per ton, extra.

Glasgow Warrants, 3-5 No. 1, 2-5 No. 3, g. m. b.,

63/6.

WEST COAST BRANDS—f. o. b. Arrive—

Glenarnock..... 4 1 5 69/6 66/ 65/

Ardor..... 4 1 5 69/6 66/ 65/

Eglington..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Langloan..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Monkland..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Portland..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Dalmellington..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Eglington..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Almond..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Carroon..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Locheilly..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Lumphnans..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

Bridgess..... 4 0 4 65/ 61/ 65/

NORTHERN IRON TRADE.

It is telegraphed to-day from Stockton-on-

Tees that the suffering and distress occasioned

in the Cleveland district by the depression of

the finished iron trade is rapidly increasing. At

the extensive North Yorkshire Iron Works, at

South Stockton and the Moor Iron Works, at

Stockton, the men have received notices ter-

minating their engagements, and at other large

establishments the same step is about to be

taken. One Stockton shipyard is entirely, and

another partially, closed. I should surmise that

the works referred to in this telegram are for

the most part very largely engaged in the iron

trade.

TRADES OF SHEFFIELD.

In one or two of the manufacturing depart-

ments there is, I think, a slight amelioration

of the previously existing dullness, but as yet

I am unable to detect any prominent tokens of

that "considerable improvement" which is in

some quarters reported to have taken place. In

the rail mills, for instance, very little work

comparatively speaking, is being done, only

about three of the many large local establish-

ments having any orders on hand. In passing

through Dronfield yesterday I noticed that the

large works of Messrs. Wilson & Crompton were

partially well engaged, the output of rails

being visible in the contiguous railway sidings

to the Midland line. At Sheffield itself one of

the largest rail-making concerns is working at

two or three orders, and there is another estab-

lishment in the neighborhood which is doing a

little in the same line. With these exceptions

the rail trade is almost hopelessly sluggish;

so much so, in fact, and with such slight

prospects of alteration that firms of such stand-

ing as Messrs. Samuel Fox & Co. and others have

abandoned rail making for the present.

In other respects, too, trade cannot by any

specifying of reasons, be taken cognizance of.

Many of the local blast furnaces, for instance, are

out. I notice that even at a great concern like

the Sheepbridge Iron Works only four furnaces

are blowing, and a like state of things prevails

elsewhere, and it should be borne in mind, too,

that the places just named have their own coal,

and possess every possible facility for produc-

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There is, it is true, a little better inquiry for

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having been declared in the price of certain







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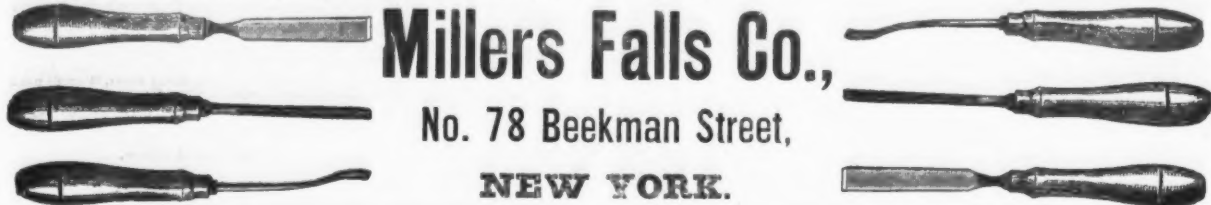
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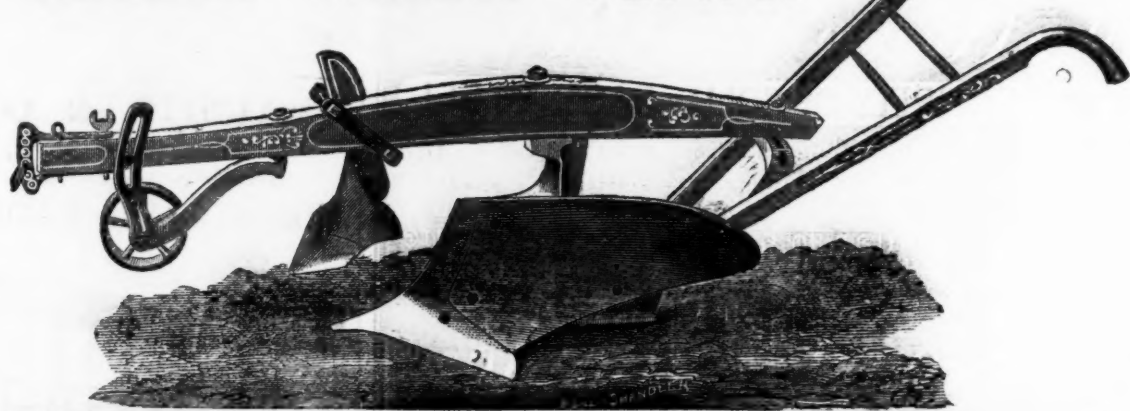
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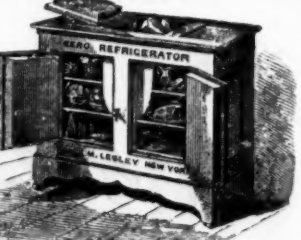
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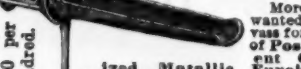


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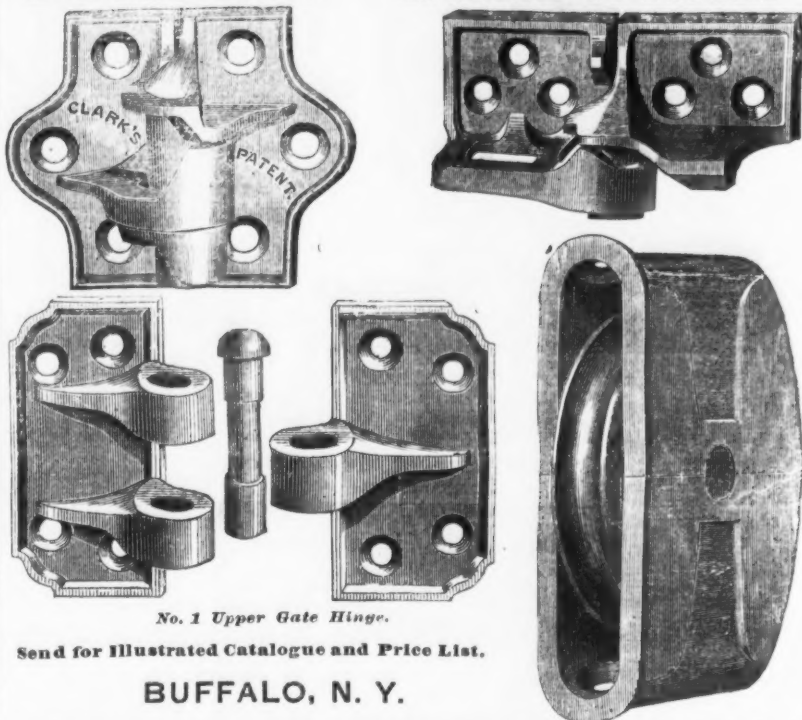
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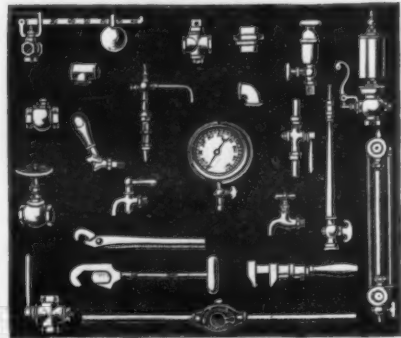
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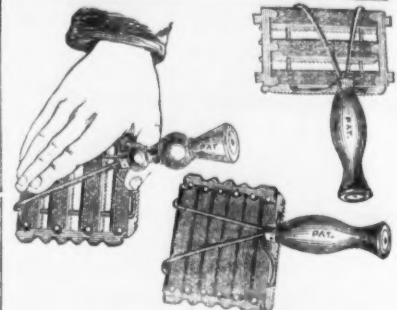
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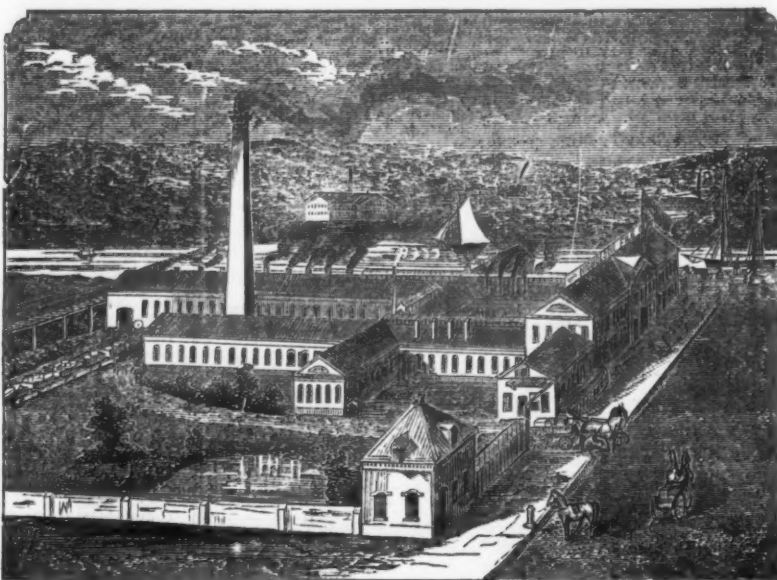
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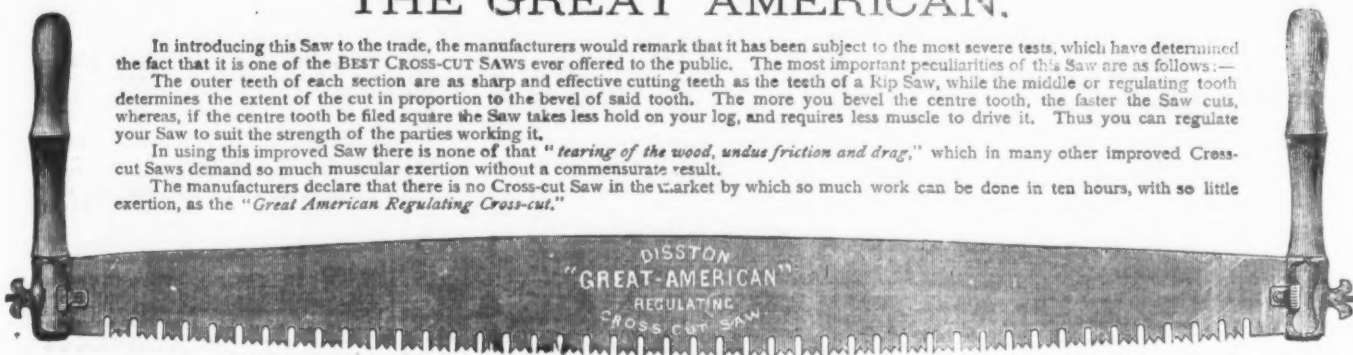
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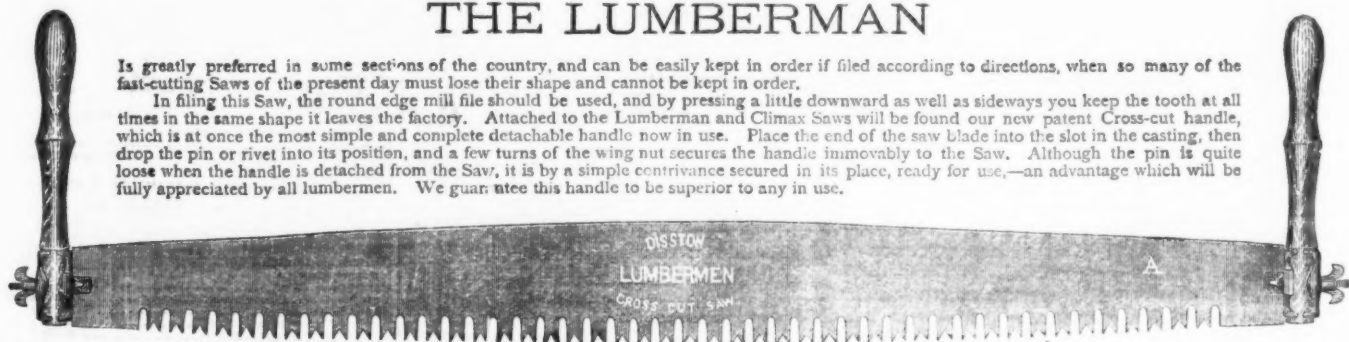
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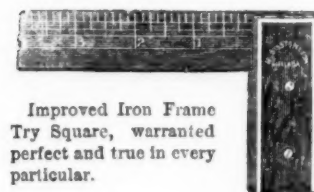
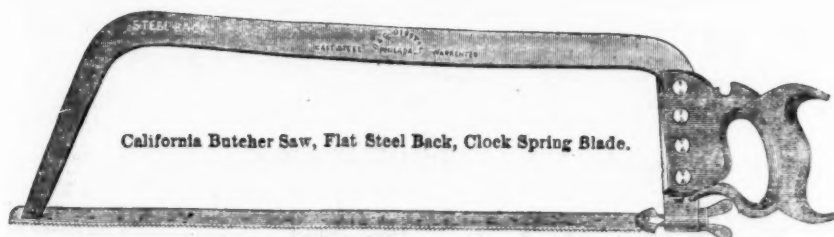
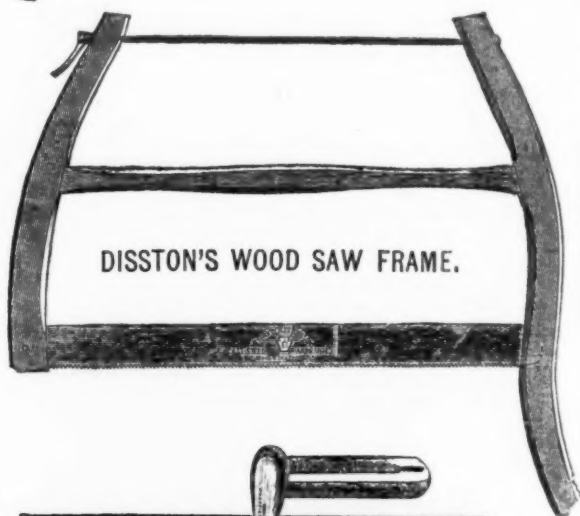
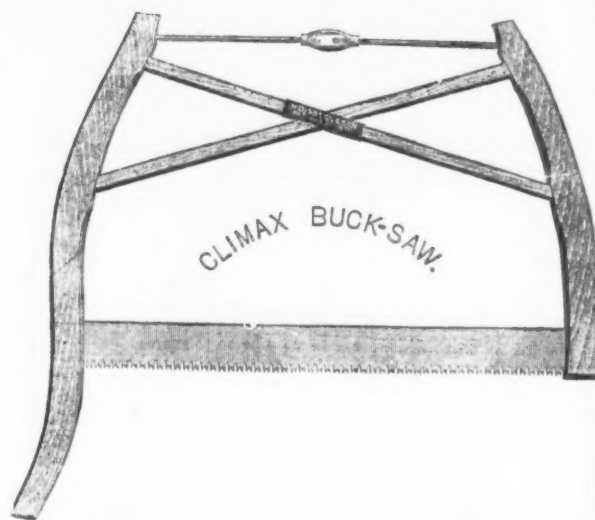
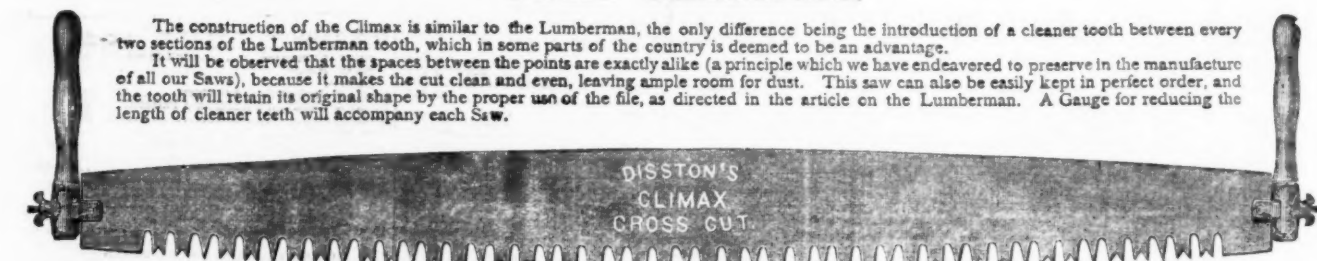
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### THE CLIMAX.

The construction of the Climax is similar to the Lumberman, the only difference being the introduction of a cleaner tooth between every two sections of the Lumberman tooth, which in some parts of the country is deemed to be an advantage.

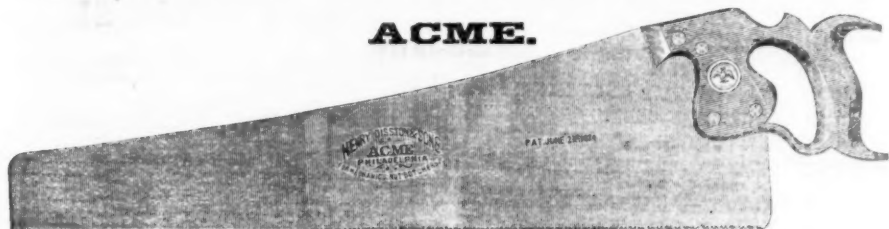
It will be observed that the spaces between the points are exactly alike (a principle which we have endeavored to preserve in the manufacture of all our Saws), because it makes the cut clean and even, leaving ample room for dust. This saw can also be easily kept in perfect order, and the tooth will retain its original shape by the proper use of the file, as directed in the article on the Lumberman. A Gauge for reducing the length of cleaner teeth will accompany each Saw.



### HENRY DISSTON & SONS'

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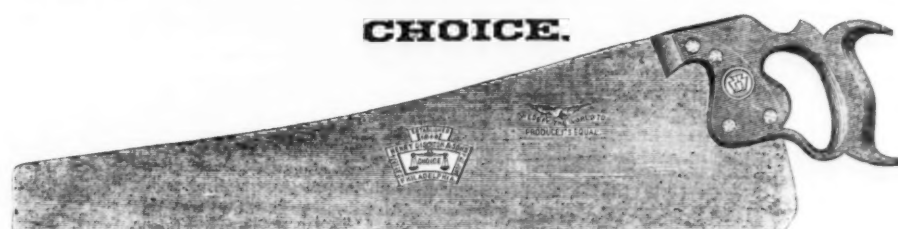


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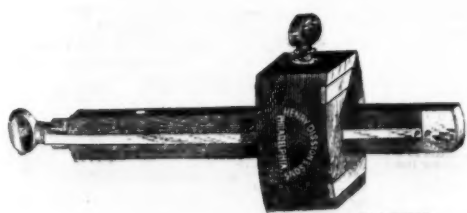


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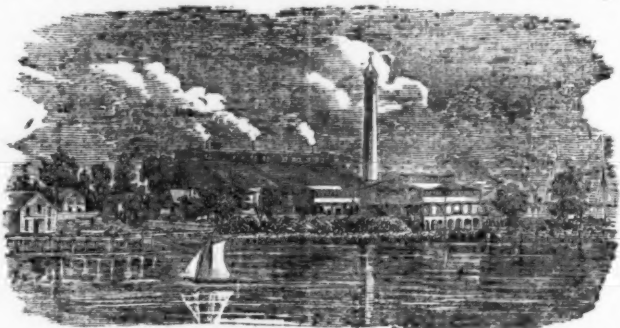
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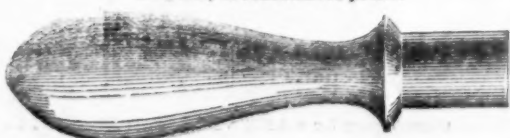
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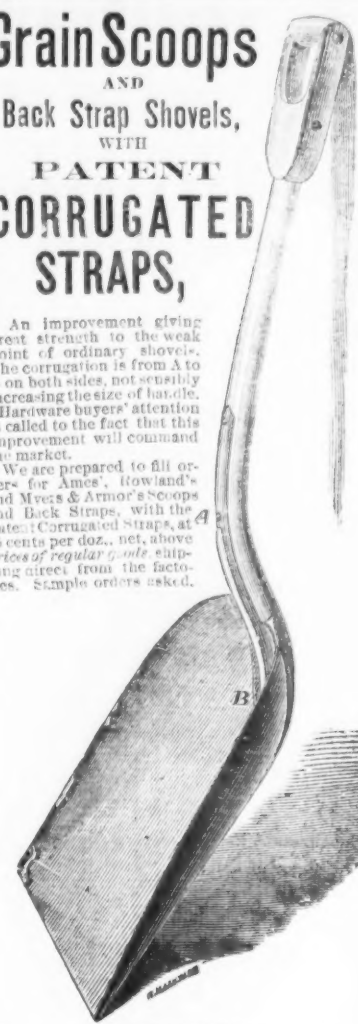
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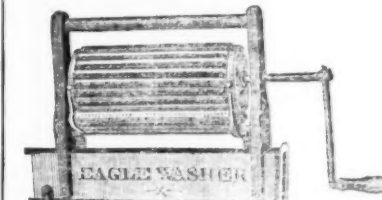


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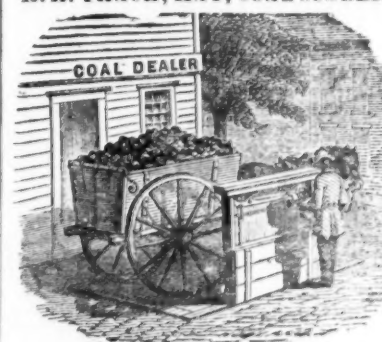
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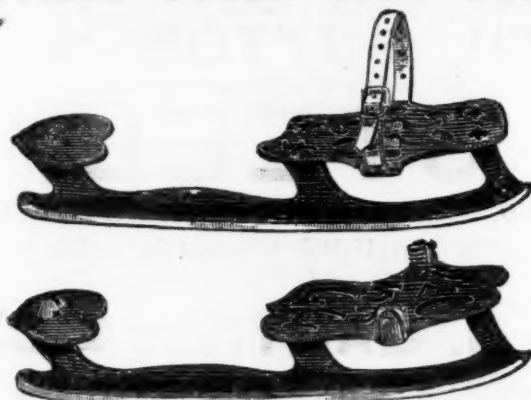
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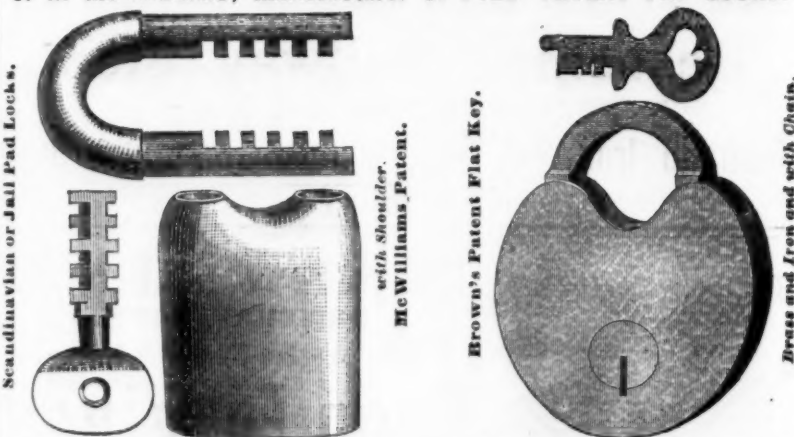


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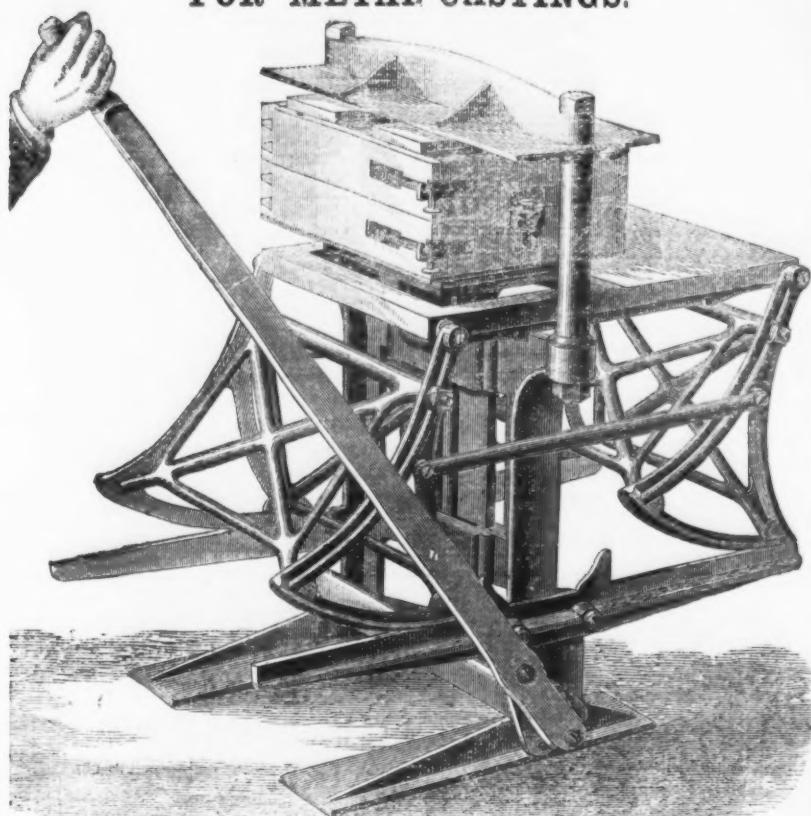
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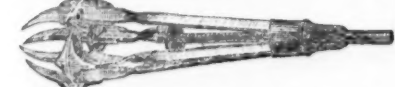
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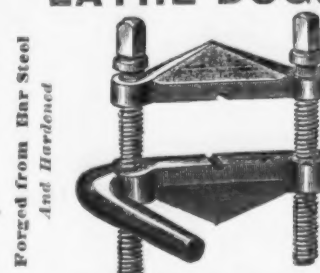
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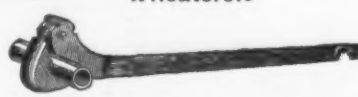
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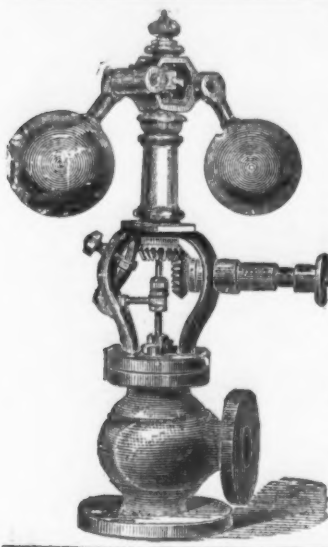
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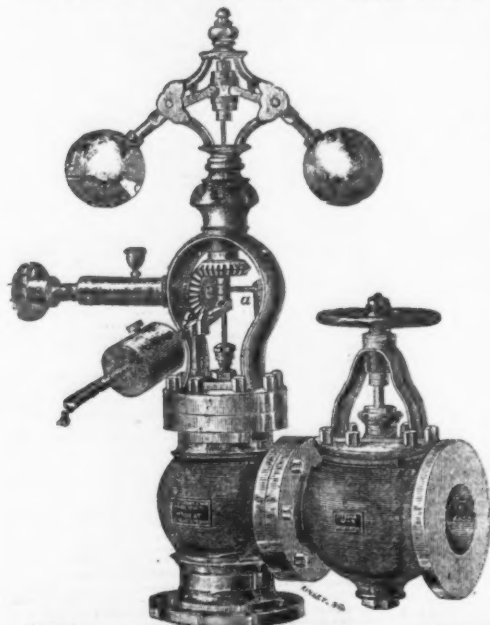
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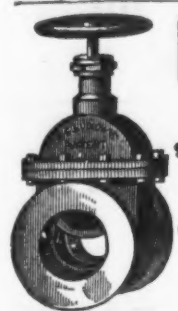
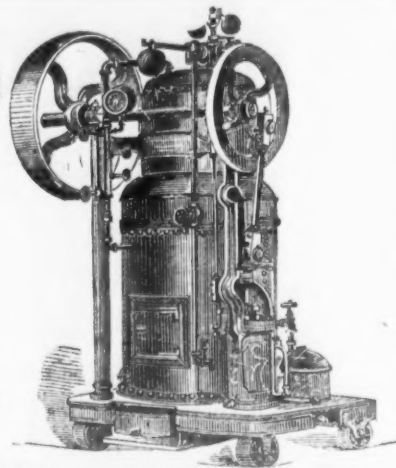
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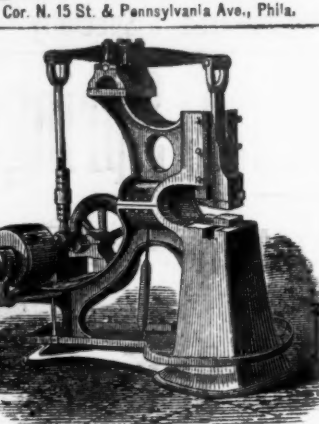
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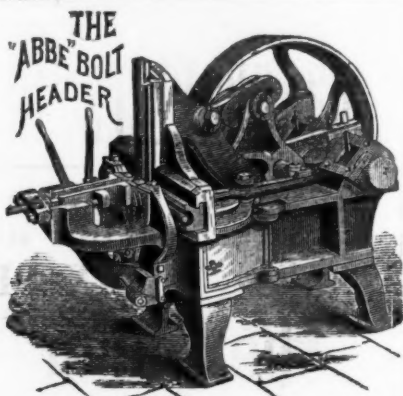
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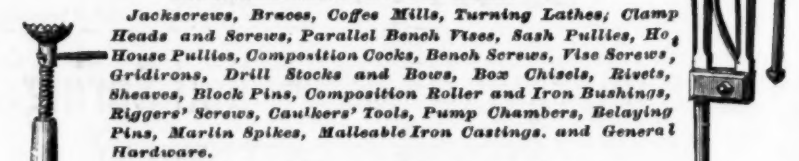
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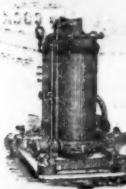
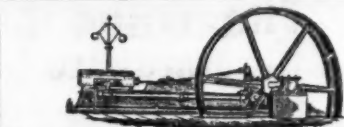
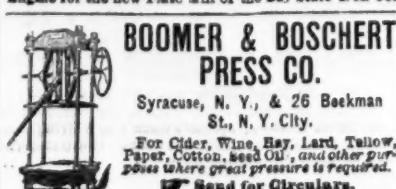
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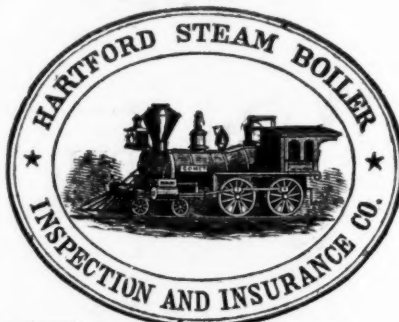
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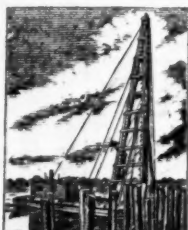
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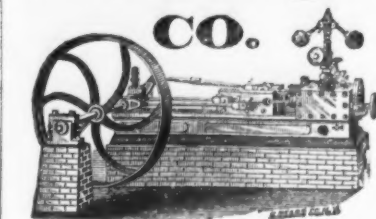
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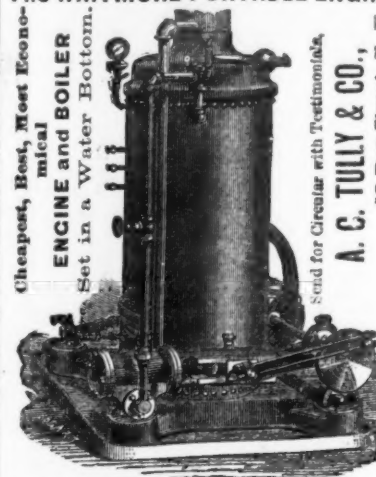
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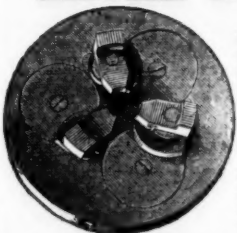
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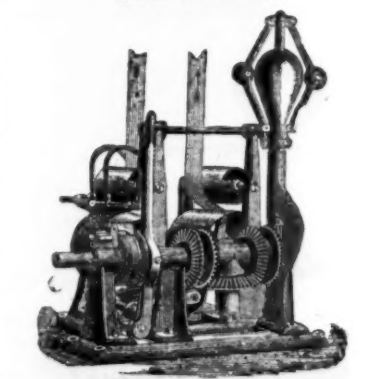
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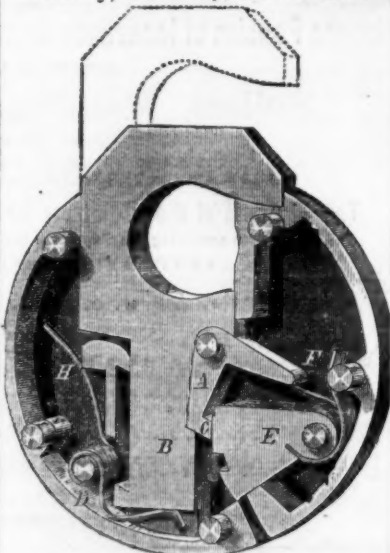
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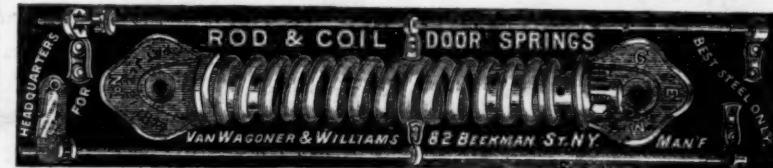
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